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Red Sea mystery continues

Egypt asks Britain to help clear mines

LONDON (AP). – The Egyptian government has asked Britain to provide warships to help sweep the Red Sea clear of mines after at least 10 ships were damaged in the last 11 days, the Foreign Office disclosed yesterday.

A spokesman, who declined to be identified, said Britain was "considering" the request made on Sunday by the Cairo government to the British ambassador, Sir Michael Weir.

The spokesman said London was "in consultation" with the U.S. and French governments on the situation in the Red Sea amid growing alarm at the string of ships being damaged by mines in the vital waterway south of the Suez Canal.

"We are concerned, and the fact that we are considering the Egyptian request reflects this," he said. "We are obviously concerned about navigation generally."

The French Navy has some minesweepers in the Red Sea off Djibouti, and Britain's Royal Navy has four "mine counter-measures" ships in the eastern Mediterranean at the northern end of the canal.

British Defence Ministry officials also reported that the Royal Navy destroyer HMS Cardiff and the frigate HMS Hermione, with the fleet auxiliary Bayleaf, were currently at Djibouti on a "routine" visit before taking up regular patrol in the Indian Ocean. They are scheduled to leave Djibouti next Sunday.

Egypt yesterday declared the Gulf of Suez at the northern end of the Red Sea safe for international navigation, but made clear the threat to shipping in the Red Sea itself was not over.

Defence Minister Abdel-Halim Abu Ghazala told reporters: "We are sure there are no mines in the Suez Gulf."

Egyptian minesweepers began operating there last week after the minings began.

Both Abu Ghazala and President Hosni Mubarak said that Egypt is seriously considering the possibility of asking the U.S. to send minesweeping helicopters to the region.

The two leaders answered reporters' questions at Cairo Airport before Mubarak left for Yugoslavia on a four-day visit.

Abu Ghazala said a decision on whether to request American minesweeping helicopters will be made following Mubarak's return.

Fifteen American mine warfare specialists are already in Egypt at Cairo's request.

Five of the explosions occurred in the Suez Gulf in July, and the rest took place in the southern part of the Red Sea, off the coasts of Saudi Arabia and North Yemen this month.

Saudi Arabian helicopters yesterday lifted 22 crewmen off the Liberian-registered tanker Oceanic Energy, drifting in the southern Red

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Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and Alignment leader Shimon Peres confer yesterday at Jerusalem's King David Hotel. (Yitzhak Harari)

After Peres, Shamir tete-a-tete

Working teams to meet over unity government

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Working teams of the Likud and the Alignment will take up the dialogue between the two major political blocs about the formation of a national unity coalition on Thursday. Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and prime minister-designate Shimon Peres agreed yesterday during a tete-a-tete lasting over two hours at Jerusalem's King David Hotel.

They described their talk as "frank and exhaustive" but declined by common consent to divulge details. None of their aides was present and there was no stenographer.

Although some reports speculated that Likud claims to the premiership of a national unity coalition also came up, *The Jerusalem Post* understands that until Mapam clarifies its position within the Alignment and until the National Religious Party starts speaking with fewer voices, the dialogue between the Likud and the Alignment will stick to principles and avoid portfolios.

When NRP Education Minister Zevulun Hammer returns from abroad and plunges into the coalition contacts on Thursday, his party's course may become clearer. He is thought to be less keen than NRP Interior Minister Yosef Burg to keep the NRP in tune with the Likud. Another NRP leader, Yehuda Ben-Meir, is also abroad and is believed to think more like Hammer than like Burg.

The Likud, meanwhile, continued to pursue unofficial contacts with coalition parties on the hopeful assumption that Peres would fail in his bid to form a government, whether wall-to-wall or restricted, following the mandate which President Chaim Herzog assigned him on Sunday.

The Likud concentrated primarily on holding the NRP as close as it could, on the assumption that if the NRP moved towards the Alignment, Agudat Yisrael would not be far behind. The Likud is more confident that it can rely on Shas, the Orthodox Sefardi party, and Morasha, which was the first religious list to throw in its lot with the Likud on election night.

Likud sources said Shamir could not have been expected to tell Peres he would agree to serve under him, as long as there was a chance that Mapam would leave Labour high and dry, thus destroying Peres' claim to head the largest party.

Shamir is also waiting till the NRP leadership becomes less hesitant and confused. He is well aware, *The Post* was told, that the NRP above all does not want to risk losing the Religious Affairs portfolio, yet he is also aware that until Shas decides whether or not it will demand portfolios, the NRP cannot calculate how much risk it is taking, by moving closer to the Likud or the Alignment respectively.

Likud sources said that if Mapam promises Peres its total formal support, amid partial conditional involvement, then Peres would be in a better position regarding Shamir.

Likud sources insist that even if Peres is lucky, he cannot possibly manage to form a wall-to-wall coalition in 21 days. But the Likud expects that the president will grant Peres another 21 days if he requests an extension.

When reporters asked Peres at the King David yesterday why Likud leaders were still saying publicly that Shamir should be heading the next government instead of Peres, despite Peres' mandate from the president, Peres replied: "I don't think the Likud will continue to challenge the president's decision. There are official rules and I think the Likud will abide by them. I did not feel (in my meeting with Shamir) any challenge to the president's decision."

Peres added "I hope there are good prospects of forming a national unity government."

One Likud minister told *The Post* last night: "In the discussions between the main protagonists so far, there is a lot of playing for time."

Another Likud minister said: "Don't expect quick developments. So many decisions are being deferred, because they depend on other people and other parties. It all interlocks, so everything is slowed down."

Indicating a hard-line tendency by

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Three soldiers wounded by roadside bomb near Tyre

By MENAHEM HOROWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

METULLA. – Three Israeli soldiers were wounded yesterday when a roadside bomb went off near Ansariya, 13 kilometres northeast of Tyre. One soldier's wounds were described as moderate, while the other two were lightly hurt. All were evacuated by helicopter to Haifa's Rambam Hospital.

Israel Defence Forces units searched the area, which is inhabited by Shi'ites known for their anti-Israel sentiments.

IDF officers said yesterday that the mine which killed an Israeli soldier and wounded another two riding in an armoured personnel carrier on Sunday near Amik in Lebanon's eastern sector had been recently put in place (Photograph – Page 3).

The officers said the terrorists who planted the mine probably came from the Shouf Mountains, where Syrian control is waning. They emphasized that any terrorist incursions through Syrian lines probably occurred without Syrian sanction.

Arye Boyarecki, the 590th Israeli soldier killed in the Lebanon war, was buried yesterday in the military section of the cemetery in Segula, near Petah Tikva. Boyarecki, 22, was the soldier killed on Sunday when his armoured personnel carrier ran over and detonated a mine north of Yamik in eastern Lebanon.

Boyarecki was a student at the Efrat Yeshiva in Gush Etzion, an institution whose students combine religious study with military service. In addition to his family, his funeral was attended by many of his comrades and veteran settlers of Petah Tikva, a city which his family helped to found.

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Export figures improve

Post Economic Reporter

Israel exported goods worth $398 million last month, 5 per cent more than in July 1983, the Central Bureau of Statistics announced yesterday. During the first seven months of the year, exports of goods totalled $3.1 billion, 10 per cent more than during the similar period last year.

Despite this apparent increase, the bureau also said that the last four months have seen a slowdown in exports. Adjusting for seasonal factors, the monthly level of exports was 3.5 per cent lower than the monthly average for the first quarter of the year, it said.

Industrial exports, excluding diamonds, totalled $2.1b. during the January-July period, as compared with $1.8b. for the same period in 1983. This represents a 13.8 per cent increase in industrial exports.

A more detailed analysis, however, shows that during the last few months there has been a slowdown in industrial exports, and that most of the increase occurred during the first quarter of the year. The level of industrial exports was 4.5 per cent lower than the monthly average for the previous three months.

Agricultural exports totalled $359m. during the first seven months of the year, an increase of 3.5 per cent over the same period in 1983. But this figure conceals a 22 per cent drop in exports of citrus fruit which was offset by a 20 per cent increase in exports of other agricultural products.

Finally, diamond exports totalled $636m. in January-July, 2 per cent more than the total for January-July 1983.

Knesset to review treaties

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Knesset will have a chance to express an opinion on international treaties Israel has subscribed to under new instructions issued by the Attorney-General Yitzhak Zamir.

To date, international treaties and agreements concluded between Israel and other foreign states or international organizations have only been approved and confirmed by the cabinet. In exceptional cases, such as the Camp David Agreements and the Peace Treaty with Egypt, the government has submitted treaties for parliamentary debate and approval.

Following the English system the attorney-general has instructed the legal advisers of all government ministries to submit copies of the proposed treaties to the Knesset together with a schedule of the changes in Israeli domestic law they would require. The treaty may not be approved by the cabinet for at least two weeks following its submission to the Knesset.

If the Knesset has taken any stand on the proposed treaty, there is now an obligation to bring this to the attention of the cabinet during its discussion of the issue.

The instructions make an exception for treaties requiring urgent or secret approval, but such cases require the prior consent of the foreign and justice ministers.

Mapam decides not to decide yet

By ROY ISACOWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – The Mapam secretariat voted last night to delay any decision on an Alignment-led national unity government until the faction is faced with the question of whether or not to join such a coalition.

The secretariat will inform the Labour Party that a narrowly based government should be formed, since it does not believe a national unity government will be formed.

A full report of the meeting is to be given today to the Alignment's *ad hoc* negotiating committee.

Mapam's position could be crucial to prime minister-designate Shimon Peres's attempt to form a national unity government. While he has the Labour Party's consent to negotiate with the Likud, it is by no means certain that the Labour Party's junior partner in the Alignment will support a unity government, if the negotiations are successful.

Likud political strategists are basing their hopes for a return to power on Mapam's refusal to support a unity government. Were that to happen, Peres would no longer head the largest Knesset faction and would, therefore, forfeit his claim to the premiership.

As the Labour-Likud talks have gathered momentum over the past few days, Mapam leaders have become outspoken in their opposition to a unity government. Reports from last night's secretariat meeting said that most speakers took a strongly anti-unity line. The party's central committee decided against such a government several months ago.

The secretariat was said to have been divided between the hardliners, such as party secretary Chaike Grossman, who are prepared to split the Alignment over the national unity issue, and the pragmatists, led by secretary-general Victor Shemtov, who advise reserving a decision until a national unity government is formed.

In the middle is veteran Mapam leader Ya'acov Hazan, who has reportedly proposed that Mapam support an Alignment-led national unity government when it is presented to the Knesset, but with subsequent support being conditional on the government's actions. Such a formula would enable Peres to continue negotiations, while at least partly satisfying Mapam's objections.

Temple Mount guard beefed up for fast

By MICHAEL EILAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Jerusalem police last night reinforced the guard around the Temple Mount to stop possible attempts by Jewish extremists to raise the Israeli flag there during the Tisha Be'Av fast today.

Followers of Rabbi Meir Kahane have said they will try to raise an Israeli flag in the Temple Mount border police station. Police are ready to block such attempts.

Members of the Faithful of the Temple Mount also plan to hold their traditional prayers outside the Moughrabi Gate this morning. Gershom Salmon, a leader of the group, told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that members of his group would ensure that no members of Kahane's Kach movement join their prayers or approach the gate.

Police increased the guard at other gates of the compound containing the Dome of the Rock and the Aksa Mosque since Kach members might try to enter the walled compound *through a different gate*. Asked what police would do if Kahane himself, who has parliamentary immunity, tries to enter the compound, a police officer said "We'll play it by ear."

Several thousand *haredim* held a mass rally at Jerusalem's Sabbath Square last night to protest against autopsies and what they termed the desecration of Jewish graves by archeologists.

A rally has been held for the last 18 years on the night of Tisha Be'Av. This year's rally was far quieter than the one last year, when *haredi* youths were angry about continued excavations at Area G in the City of David and the Tisha Be'Av rally was one of a series of protests.

Swiss woman runner's agony sparks marathon controversy

LOS ANGELES (Reuter). – The official score sheet records Gabriella Andersen-Schiess of Switzerland as having finished 37th in Sunday's women's marathon. But for sheer guts she easily won the gold.

In the most poignant moment of the 1984 Olympic Games so far, an exhausted Andersen-Schiess staggered and stumbled round the final lap of the sunbaked Coliseum Stadium roared on by 75,000 spectators.

With doctors hovering, she lurched across the finish line and collapsed. Her plight, in temperatures of up to 29 Centigrade, temporarily eclipsed the triumph of the victor, American Joan Benoit.

The Swiss runner's anguish, watched by a worldwide television audience, is certain to raise doubts about the wisdom of staging endurance events in an urban metropolis notorious for its mid-summer heat and pollution.

For the 75,000 people packing the stadium and the millions more watching on television, the last minutes of the 39-year-old athlete's desperate and courageous effort seemed endless. She waved away first aid men and officials who wanted to help her when she first lurched into the stadium.

Step by halting step, she weaved along the last lap of 400 metres and collapsed exhausted into the arms of medical staff waiting across the finish line. The crowd roared her on as she achieved the final step of her 42.195km. run.

Medical attendants furiously towelled her legs and splashed her with cold water to cool her overheated body. She was packed in ice and given intravenous injections.

Her agony, epitomizing the courage of marathon runners, evoked memories of similar dramas – in the 1908 London Olympics and the 1954 Empire Games in Vancouver.

In 1908, Italy's Dorando Pietri collapsed four times. He was first across the line but was disqualified because officials helped him as he staggered through the last few metres.

Jim Peters of England entered Vancouver Stadium with a lead of 17 minutes. But he was unable to finish before he collapsed from heat exhaustion.

When the race began, it was a cool and misty morning at Santa Monica

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Joan Benoit of the U.S. becomes the gold medal winner in the first Olympic marathon for women, crossing the finish line in the world's best time of 2 hours 24 minutes and 52 seconds. (UPI telephoto)

Israeli in semi-finals in L.A. kayak event

Post Sports Staff

Israel's Aviram Mizrahi turned in a fine performance when the Olympic canoeing events got under way yesterday, finishing second in his heat of the 500 metres kayak event.

Mizrahi's time was 1:53.66, less than a second behind the winner of the heat, Milan Janic of Yugoslavia. The result promoted the 22-year-old Tel Avivian to the semi-finals to be held tomorrow.

Carl Lewis breezes home in 200m. heats

LOS ANGELES (Reuter). – Carl Lewis limbered up for a day which promises his second Olympic gold medal by cruising to victory in the 200-metre heats yesterday.

Lewis, the 100m. title already in his possession, left the rest way behind and eased to a canter on the straight to win his opening heat in 21.02 seconds.

The 23-year-old American was later chasing his second Olympic title as overwhelming favourite in the long jump.

Olympic champion Pietro Mennea of Italy and his predecessor Don Quarrie of Jamaica both won their first-round heats with plenty to spare.

But the last two Olympic 100m. gold medallists – Britain's Allan Wells and Haseley Crawford of Trinidad – failed to appear for their starts.

World record-holder Mennea clocked 20.70 in yesterday's opening heat, while 33-year-old evergreen Quarrie won in 20.84.

NRP would join Alignment unity gov't

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN and ROY ISACOWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporters

The National Religious Party is ready in principle to join a national unity government headed by the Alignment, but not a narrow-based coalition.

This was the position taken by NRP leaders at a three-hour meeting yesterday with an Alignment team headed by Shimon Peres at the Dan Hotel in Tel Aviv. MK-elect Avner Sciaki stressed after the meeting.

According to Alignment sources, Sciaki said at the meeting that he would not support a narrow government, be it Alignment or Likud-led. But Mapam representative Chaika Grossman said afterwards that she had the impression that a national unity government was not a precondition for the negotiations.

The key to what sort of government the NRP will support probably lies with Education Minister Zevulun Hammer and MK Yehuda Ben-Meir, both of whom are abroad.

Sciaki said after the session that the party leadership was convinced that a narrow coalition, whether headed by the Alignment or the Likud, would be unable to grapple with the country's economic crisis and was bound to fall afer two months or so.

"We must force the two large parties into a unity government," he said.

The meeting with the NRP was the Alignment's opening round of formal coalition negotiations, and Alignment participants said it went "much better than expected."

MK Moshe Shahal said last night that the talks had been "very serious and correct" and represented an important step forward.

Because of the Tisha Be'Av fast today, further contact between the two parties was deferred until tomorrow, when four separate subcommittees will meet to work out agreement on economic and social affairs, foreign affairs and security, religious affairs and Knesset positions and responsibilities.

The composition of the committees has not yet been decided, although on the Alignment side each is likely to be headed by a member of the party's top negotiating team.

The NRP team yesterday consisted of the six top members of the party's Knesset list – except for Hammer – and Hapoel Hamizrahi secretary general Rafael Ben-Natan. It was headed by Interior Minister Yosef Burg.

Burg rejected a proposal by Peres that further settlement in the territories be frozen. It was agreed that this subject, together with that of possible concessions to Jordan's

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U.S. citizen held as 'super conman'

By MICHAL YUDELMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – An American citizen suspected of being a large-scale international swindler was arrested Sunday at Ben-Gurion Airport on a tip from Interpol. The man, who is wanted in the U.S., England, France, Switzerland and Israel, is suspected of travelling from one country to another, cheating people out of large amounts of money.

The 60-year-old alleged confidence trickster, whose respectable demeanour encourages trust, was in Israel about a year ago when he reportedly swindled a wealthy Netanya family, the Mandarin Hotel north of Tel Aviv, travel agencies and a Netanya branch of the Discount Bank, according to police.

While he was staying in Eilat's Aviya Sonesta Hotel, the man met the Netanya family and presented himself as a multi-millionaire and vice-president of the fourth largest bank in the U.S.

He reportedly told his Israeli acquaintances that his bank had sent him to Israel to assist the Bank of Israel to rehabilitate the country's economy. He wined and dined the family, showered them with costly gifts, including trips abroad in a chartered plane which he said belonged to him, police say.

When he had won their confidence, the conman shared with them "secret information" about the stock of a certain company in Vaduz, Lichtenstein, which was about to soar in price. The family gave him $18,000 to invest in this company and never saw him again, police say.

When the family complained to the police, it was discovered that the man had stayed in luxury hotels without paying his bills, that he had withdrawn IS100,000 from a Discount Bank branch with a bad cheque which he immediately cancelled, and that he had failed to pay a travel agency for the chartered plane.

The Tel Aviv police's fraud division searched for the man, but found that he had already left the country.

After checking with Interpol, the fraud division learned that the man was wanted in several other countries for similar crimes. The fraud division declared him a fugitive from justice and circulated his description among border police, although it was thought doubtful that he would return to Israel.

To the surprise of the border police, a man answering the fugitive's description tried to enter the country Sunday, and was arrested. It was learned that during his absence, he married a Swiss woman, whom he had also reportedly swindled out of her property.

The suspect is being detained in the Abu Kabir police lockup and will be brought before a magistrate today.

Troops to Hebron for prayer book funeral

HEBRON (Itim). – Large numbers of IDF troops were brought to Hebron last night to guard a funeral procession for torn prayer book pages planned for 11 a.m. today.

The main road to Hebron will be closed during the procession.

Government ministers, Knesset members and rabbis are expected to participate in the interment of the prayer book pages.

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FRANKFURT	13	55	24	75	Cloudy
GENEVA	15	59	24	82	Clear
HELSINKI	17	63	24	75	Clear
HONG KONG	26	79	29	84	Cloudy
JOHANNESBURG	7	45	22	72	Clear
LISBON	16	61	30	86	Clear
LONDON	13	55	21	70	Clear
MADRID	16	61	30	86	Cloudy
MONTREAL	20	68	31	88	Cloudy
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OSLO	14	57	20	68	Cloudy
PARIS	13	55	21	70	Cloudy
RIO DE JANEIRO	14	57	32	89	Clear
SAO PAULO	14	57	29	84	Cloudy
STOCKHOLM	18	65	22	72	Cloudy
TOKYO	26	79	29	84	Cloudy
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Safad	44	16–28	28
Haifa Port	65	23–29	29
Tiberias	41	22–35	35
Nazareth	62	20–28	28
Afula	51	21–31	31
Shomron	51	19–30	30
Tel Aviv	65	21–29	29
B-G Airport	52	19–30	30
Jericho	32	20–36	36
Gaza	81	22–28	28
Beersheba	24	17–34	34
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SOCIAL & PERSONAL

The new British consul general in Jerusalem, Patrick Gault de Courcy-Ireland, called on Mayor Teddy Kollek yesterday.

Birth

Rochelle and Raffe Elbaz are delighted to announce the birth of a son on August 3, 1984, grandson to Susan and David Elbaz, Jerusalem, and Estelle and Robert Gilmour, England.

Yuvi and Ziva Davidowitz, Kibbutz Ma'agan, proud parents of baby daughter, August 6. Mazal Tov to grandparents: Abe and Judy, Rehovot; and Aviva, Kibbutz Ma'agan.

ARRIVALS

Emunah Women of America Honorary President Dorothy Bernstein and Executive Director Shirley Singer, for Emunah Women of America 50th Birthday Convention.

Jordan's top general in Moscow for talks

MOSCOW (Reuter). – The commander-in-chief of Jordan's defence forces, Lietenant-General Sherif Zaid Bin Shaker, held talks on the Middle East yesterday with Soviet Defence Minister Dmitry Ustinov, Tass news agency reported.

King Hussein said last March he did not rule out the possibility of purchasing arms from the Soviet Union if the U.S. did not meet his requirements.

The Jordanian news agency Petra said the mission which left Amman on Sunday would spend several days in the Soviet Union visiting military establishments.

A similar programme was arranged by Soviet authorities last month for Kuwaiti Defence Minister Sheikh Salem al-Sabah who left Moscow after working out an arms deal thought by Arab experts to be worth over $300 million.

Suicide reported in Rolls Royce graft probe

LONDON (Reuter). – Police investigating a multi-million dollar theft and corruption racket at Britain's state-owned engine maker Rolls Royce said yesterday that one of the men they arrested had committed suicide when released on bail.

Four others will face charges in court today, the police spokesman said. The man who killed himself last May was a businessman who did not work for Rolls Royce, police said.

Police say they have traced spare parts worth more than £1.2 million stolen from the company's Ansty factory, near Coventry, since 1976, and expected to recover more.

The *Sunday Telegraph*, which on Sunday published the first report of the year-long investigation, said that some of the stolen warship engine parts had been smuggled to Iran and Argentina.

Rolls Royce, which makes engines for planes and ships, is no longer connected with its original parent, the Rolls Royce luxury car firm.

Missing man, 74, found exhausted in Safad park

SAFAD (Itim). – A 74-year-old man listed as missing from the Friedman Hotel here yesterday morning was found in a state of exhaustion at 4.30 in the afternoon in a pit at a local park.

Police and Civil Guard personnel were called out to look for Pinhas Shoval when he didn't return to the hotel at 11 a.m. He was described to authorities as being seriously ill.

After he was found, Shoval was taken to hospital by ambulance for observation and rest.

Labour kibbutz group emerges as key factor in coalition dealing

By ROY ISACOWITZ
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – The United Kibbutz Movement (UKM) has emerged as an important factor in the Alignment's coalition-making efforts. It has links with the Mapam-affiliated Kibbutz Ha'artzi movement, and with the Kibbutz Hadati movement which is affiliated with the National Religious Party.

An *ad hoc* UKM group, consisting of secretaries Yitzhak Perlmutter and Eli Zamir, Knesset members and central committee members, met on Sunday night and yesterday with leaders of both Kibbutz Ha'artzi and Kibbutz Hadati in an attempt to persuade them to support whatever Alignment-led government is established.

In their meeting with the religious kibbutz movement, the UKM leaders stressed their preference for a narrowly-based government led by the Alignment with the participation of the NRP. However, they did not discount the possibility of an Alignment-led national unity government established for a limited period with the express aim of healing the economy.

The religious kibbutz leaders said that they "respect the president's choice" of Shimon Peres to set up a government. They emphasized that a national unity government that focuses on the economy is the best for the country.

In contrast to the position of the NRP, the Kibbutz Hadati representatives said that they would accept a settlement freeze, as well as maintaining the religious status quo. Both of these conditions were proposed by the Alignment leadership at yesterday's meeting with the NRP.

The talks with the Kibbutz Ha'artzi leadership focused on the latter's opposition to a national unity government, even one headed by Peres. In reply to the Kibbutz Ha'artzi fears that the idea of a national government, which originally had been a negotiating tactic, could become the main goal, the UKM representatives said that the solidarity of the Alignment must be the "cornerstone" of any government.

The UKM representatives emphasized their preference for a narrowly based government, and said that a national unity government must be judged by its programme and makeup.

The two teams decided to meet weekly, but their secretaries will be in daily contact. Kibbutz Ha'artzi and Kibbutz Hadati leaders are due to meet today or tomorrow, after which all three teams will hold a joint meeting.

The UKM central committee will be asked this morning to approve a motion that every effort be made to form a narrowly-based government headed by the Alignment.



Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir holds his official certificate of membership in the 11th Knesset. The document was brought to him yesterday by three Gadna members: Adis Akalim of Beersheba (left), Zvia Cohen of Kiryat Haim, and Oren Avni of Ashdod. (Dan Landau)

Lebanese seeking solution to central mountain deployment

BEIRUT (AP). – Government officials struggled yesterday to eliminate differences blocking the deployment of Lebanese Army troops in the Druse-held central mountains as the second phase of a plan to restore state authority over the divided nation.

A committee of Lebanese Army officers and officials from Druse and Shi'ite Moslem militias met twice to iron out differences that forced the government to cancel an extraordinary cabinet session that had been scheduled yesterday to finalize the security plan for the central mountains.

The sources, who asked not to be identified, said the split in the cabinet surfaced when Druse leader Walid Jumblatt, who serves as minister of public works, and Shi'ite Moslem chief Nabih Berri, minister of justice and minister of state for southern Lebanon, opposed the deployment of the army in their areas unless a simultaneous entry was carried out in the Christian hinterland.

The army command argued that it does not have enough troops for deploying in such a wide area and suggested as a compromise that its soldiers take up posts only along major highways in the areas concerned.

An outbreak of rocket-propelled grenade and machinegun exchanges left one person dead and several others wounded Sunday night in the Kharroub region on the foothills of the central mountains south of Beirut, police said. The fighting tapered off yesterday morning.

The fighting between Druse militiamen and fighters from the only Christian stronghold in the Shouf mountains was the first in recent weeks. There was no word on what caused the outbreak in the area, which is just above Israel's Awali River defence line in Southern Lebanon.

Meanwhile, Vladimir Polyakov, head of the Middle East department of the Soviet Foreign Ministry, wrapped up a four-day visit to Beirut after meeting with Prime Minister Rashid Karameh.

Karameh said his talks with the Soviet official centred on Moscow's support for the government "drive to liberate Lebanon of Israeli occupation." Polyakov, who visited Jordan last week, was to travel next to Syria.

Moscow lashes Israel on Mideast meet

MOSCOW (AP) – A Soviet commentator yesterday accused the U.S. and Israel of being the only two nations to turn down Moscow's recent proposal for an international conference on the Middle East.

The proposal, a more detailed version of long-standing Soviet policy on the Middle East, was published in a statement from the official news agency Tass on July 29.

It called on Israel, its Arab neighbours, the U.S. and the Palestine Liberation Organization to join the Soviet Union in a conference to establish "a just and lasting peace in the Mideast".

Yuri Kuritsyn, a correspondent for the Novosti government news agency, said in a commentary televised to western news agencies that "only two voices in the whole world struck a jarring note" in what he called favourable reaction to the Soviet suggestion.

Jesse Jackson to address UK pro-Arab group

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

LONDON. – Jesse Jackson, who lost his bid for the U.S. Democratic Party presidential nomination, has been billed as a speaker at a pro-Palestinian meeting due to be held in London in mid-November.

The Trades Union Friends of Palestine, established around the time of the Lebanon war to gain support from British trade unionists, announced a one-day seminar to discuss the post-election scene in both Israel and the U.S. and what it means for British Labour Party supporters who favour the Palestinians.

Co-sponsors of the seminar are the Labour Middle East Council (a grouping of Labourites who support the Arab cause), and the Palestine Liberation Organization. The PLO's London representative, Faisal Aweida, has also been listed as an invitee.

WORKING TEAMS

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the Likud, and specifically by its Herut wing, Deputy Prime Minister David Levy maintained Sunday night that the Likud in fact holds the key to any future coalition government.

Interviewed on Israel Television, Levy said that according to his calculations the Alignment has no chance of forming a coalition without the Likud, since the religious parties prefer a government headed by Shamir.

He insisted that the question of who should be prime minister in a broad national unity government would be one of the issues to be resolved in negotiations between the Likud and the Alignment, regardless of the fact that the president had asked Peres to form a government.

The president has asked Peres merely to *try* to form a government, Levy maintained. Since in his view Peres cannot succeed in his task, the Likud still holds the trump cards.

Terror detainees get Tisha Be'Av visit

TEL MOND (Itim). – Tehiya MK-elect Rabbi Eliezer Waldman and Hanan Porat of Morasha yesterday visited the Jewish underground suspects being held at the Tel Mond prison. The visit, which lasted over three hours, was to mark Tisha Be'Av.

As they left the prison, Waldman told Itim that among the 11th Knesset's first items on the agenda will be a move to pardon the underground members, who, he said, might have been mistaken in their actions, but were not criminals.

"They are Jews who live for Eretz Yisrael, and not for themselves," he said.

Man detained for having gazelle head in his house

A man from Kafr Kari in Wadi Ara was ordered detained for 36 hours by the Jerusalem Magistrates Court at the request of the Nature Reserves Authority yesterday after the head of a gazelle was found in his house. Gazelles are a protected species. (Itim)

NRP

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King Hussein, be left for further discussion.

On religious affairs, the status quo will be the basis for the talks between the two teams. Burg told *The Jerusalem Post* that this does not mean that the NRP will not put forward any religious demands but rather that these demands would not be "exorbitant."

The "Who is a Jew" amendment to the Law of Return was apparently not discussed.

Yesterday's meeting was in the framework of the Alignment's "parallel approach" of negotiating with both the Likud and the smaller parties at the same time. Asked after the meeting why he met with the NRP when there was still much to discuss with the Likud, Peres said that the two major blocs could not ignore the smaller parties, even when discussing a national unity government.

Peres will meet today with Yahad leader Ezer Weizman, and with Shinui and Citizens Rights Movement leaders. Shinui chairman Amnon Rubinstein will meet with Mapam leaders before meeting with Peres.

The High Court of Justice is expected to rule tomorrow on a petition submitted yesterday by Meir Attiya, a member of the NRP executive, that the party's negotiators be barred from negotiating further until the party's central committee discusses the entire coalition question.

THREE SOLDIERS

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The funeral was interrupted briefly when Petah Tikva Mayor Dov Tavori arrived to lay a wreath on behalf of the municipality. He was greeted with catcalls by a number of ultra-Orthodox mourners, who chanted "Uprooter of Israel" and other disparaging remarks at him, in reference to the municipality's decision to open places of entertainment on the Sabbath.

Due to the furore, Tavori left without laying the wreath, after which the atmosphere calmed and the funeral proceeded.

Defence Minister Moshe Arens yesterday flew to Lebanon, visiting sites at which IDF soldiers were recently killed or wounded, including Nabatiya. In a brief statement the ministry's spokesman said Arens heard commanders' and soldiers' reports on what had happened there.

Arens yesterday also attended an Armoured Corps exercise in central Israel.

Meanwhile, the South Lebanon Army extended its deployment to the eastern sector presently under IDF control, taking up positions near Kamad a-Luz, 10km. northeast of Lake Karoun. Since February, the SLA has been moving into more and more areas facing Syrian positions.

'Escape artist' told to leave his Safad 'settlement'

SAFAD (Itim). – Chronic law breaker and escape artist Nahman Farkash was given an eviction notice by the Safad municipality yesterday, and was ordered to leave the area in which he established a "settlement."

Farkash, who has escaped from prison numerous times, said he had nowhere else to live, and asked for a plot of land where he could run his life without being bothered.

Khomeini death rumours

NICOSIA (AP). – Dispelling rumours that Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini may have died, IRNA, the official Iranian news agency, said the octogenarian leader of Iran's Islamic revolution met yesterday with Prime Miniister Hussein Musavi.

Maof flights to Swaziland raise El Al's ire

By JOSHUA BRILLIANT
Jerusalem Post Reporter

El Al has recently been attempting to discredit Maof, responding to the charter carrier's plans to begin flights to southern Africa next month, according to reports from Johannesburg.

The national carrier makes its highest per-passenger profits on its Johannesburg route, for which its cheapest round-trip ticket now costs $977. Maof plans to fly to neighbouring Swaziland for $599 (for the first six flights). A round trip flight from there to Johanesburg will cost $95, but a round-trip bus ride will cost only $34. This measns a saving of $283 to $344 per passenger.

El Al president Rafi Harlev recently went to South Africa and reports from Johannesburg say he has been spreading allegations that Maof cancels a large number of its flights. The allegations are apparently groundless.

In Tel Aviv, the national carrier issued a report explaining why its charter subsidiary would also not fly to Swaziland. It said the airport terminal was small, and passengers would find it uncomfortable if technical problems were to delay departure.

The El Al staff also failed to find a way to bring fresh food for Tel Aviv-bound passengers, the report said.

Maof director-general Yitzhak Gadish scoffed at the report, maintaining it proved the El Al staff's inefficiency.

El Al failed to mention that the question of its flying to Swaziland was academic. Maof said its agreement with the Swazi authorities gives it exclusive rights on the route until 1986.

The Maof flights are to begin September 2.

Baby born at the roadside saved by passing motorists

BEERSHEBA (Itim). – A newborn baby was saved from asphyxiation yesterday before dawn by a Petah Tikva couple who found the infant and its mother by the roadside.

At about 3 a.m. the couple, driving some 15 kilometres north of Beersheba on their way to a vacation in Eilat, noticed a car parked at the side of the road. Slowing down, they saw a Beduin woman lying on the ground cradling a newborn infant in her arms.

The woman, Sabha Jaffar, 30, of Rahat, was still attached to the infant by its umbilical cord. The woman's husband was sitting inside the car, in shock.

The Petah Tikva man, Haim Rosen, left his wife with the mother and child and raced to summon a Magen David Adom ambulance from Beersheba. Ambulance driver Haim Danino quickly arrived, to find the infant unconscious. He immediately severed the umbilicus and began mouth-to-mouth resuscitation, stopping only to radio for the duty physician.

Danino then handed the infant to Rosen, bundled them and the mother into the ambulance and sped off towards Beersheba. On the way they met a second ambulance carrying the duty physician, Dr. Abed Jani, who took the infant and continued treatment.

After a short while they arrived at Soroka Hospital, where mother and child were reported in satisfactory condition. The Rosens continued to Eilat.

IBA chief denies waste in airing games

By GREER FAY CASHMAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel Broadcasting Authority director-general Uri Porat yesterday categorically denied press reports that broadcasting the Olympic games had put a million-dollar hole in the IBA's budget.

Porat told a press conference that the $660,000 budget for buying the rights to broadcast the games had been given special treasury approval and a special allocation had been made for part of the cost. Sponsorship by major industrial concerns supplemented the government funding.

The cost, according to Porat, was for the rights to relay the games and not for the length of time that they were broadcast. He said the cost would have been the same even if the broadcast had been limited to one hour a day.

The source of the charges of alleged fiscal waste by the IBA is its deputy chairman, David Admon, who has been conducting private polls to ascertain what percentage of the population stays up after midnight to see what is happening in Los Angeles. Admon contends that the number of viewers does not justify the expense.

Some newspapers, however, had not previously published Admon's findings, believing that he was responding to a reported drop in readership of his *Hadashot Hasport* (Sports News) paper, which has been unable to compete with televised coverage of the games.

Inflationary budget adjustment due today

Post Economic Reporter

The Ministerial Economic Committee will meet today to approve an adjustment in the budget, in accordance with the Budget Law, for the second quarter of the fiscal year, the Treasury announced yesterday.

The quarterly adjustment of the budget figures was introduced by the Treasury this year as a result of its inability to predict inflation rates on an annual basis. Thus, every three months, the budget is revised in accordance with the expected inflation rate for that quarter. This is a technical operation which leaves the real budget sums unchanged, the ministry stressed in its announcement.

It said that the sums of the second quarter of the fiscal year will be revised upwards by 45 per cent according to the average inflation rate predicted for the July-September period. Due to the changes introduced with the recent wage accords, the salary budget will be pushed up by 50 per cent.

Maccabi fund offers dental care

A new agreement between the Maccabi health insurance fund and the Dental Health Institutes in Jerusalem represents a breakthrough in dental care for the capital, Maccabi director Rafi Roter and DHI director Dr. Dov Almog told a press conference yesterday at Jerusalem's Beit Agron.

The agreement, which took effect at the beginning of the month, provides Maccabi's 15,000 members in the Jerusalem area with what was described as "the most advanced level of dental care, as practised in the U.S." Roter and Almog said the new service also provides such care at public-medicine prices, which are much lower than those of private dentistry.

The two officials said the reason for first establishing the new service in Jerusalem is the neglect of proper dental care among the area's population, a large portion of which is not served by dentists. They hope eventually to extend the service to other areas of the country.

Roter pointed out that about $200 million is spent annually on dental care in the country, representing between $140 and $205 per family. These figures are higher than they should be, Roter said, adding that the unnecessarily high cost of dental care deters about a third of the public from seeking necessary treatment. (Itim)

'Artist' arrested for molesting girl model

GIVATAYIM (Itim). – A local man was arrested yesterday on suspicion of committing indecent acts on a young girl, after she answered his newspaper advertisement for an artist's model.

In filing her complaint with the police, the girl said the man, 59, began to molest her instead of drawing her and that she managed to flee only after struggling with him.

A police search of the suspect's apartment turned up many albums full of pictures of naked women. The police are investigating whether other young women were molested by the suspect. A police spokeswoman said the man had been convicted of similar offences in the past.

Mubarak in Yugoslavia

BELGRADE (AP). – President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt arrived on the northern Adriatic island of Brioni yesterday on a brief visit to Yugoslavia, the national news agency Tanjug reported.

Mubarak will discuss bilateral cooperation and international issues with the Yugoslavs.

MINES

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Sea after it was damaged by an explosion, Lloyds of London reported.

The insurance company's shipping intelligence unit said that nine crewmen were left aboard the 88,599-ton Taiwanese-owned vessel, which did not appear to be in any immediate danger of sinking.

The Oceanic Energy radioed in a garbled mayday message Sunday after the explosion that the ship was sinking. The blast reportedly damaged one of the ship's main tanks. No casualties were reported among the crew.

Lloyds said the tanker was in ballast en route from North Yemen to Jedda, Saudi Arabia, under charter to a Japanese oil company when the explosion occurred. Tugboats were en route from Jedda to take the stricken tanker in tow, the company said.

Who dumped the explosives is still a mystery. But reports from London and the Persian Gulf state of Qatar said an Iranian-backed extremist group calling itself "Islamic Jihad" (Holy War) claimed responsibility.

Egyptian Defence Minister Abu Ghazala said: "There are indications this was done by two countries but we are not sure and I cannot, therefore, single out any particular country."

Diplomatic observers in Cairo believed he was talking about Iran and Libya.

Suez Canal Authority sources told the AP last Saturday they suspected Iran.

The sources said the authority received instructions to alert security authorities any time an Iranian or Libyan ship transited the canal.

"We are using our rights in order to intercept any ships suspected of carrying explosives," Abu Ghazala said yesterday. "We did intercept some ships, but nothing was found on board."

He declined to specify.

40 killed in Sri Lankan raids on Tamils

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP). – At least 40 people were killed in clashes between security forces and Tamil separatists in northern Sri Lanka since the weekend, authorities reported yesterday.

Officials said as many as 500 suspected Tamil extremists had been detained in army sweeps through the northern province. Curfew-like conditions were clamped on the entire Tamil-dominated region, with citizens ordered to remain indoors during the continuing anti-terrorist military operations.

Most of those slain were Tamil rebels, the officials said. The government said two navy officers and five police personnel were killed. But a guerrilla group, the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam, claimed its men killed 20 security personnel and wounded several others in six separate attacks since the past weekend.

A police superintendent was killed yesterday when a time bomb planted by terrorists exploded in his office at the main police station in Vavuniya, authorities said. (Earlier report – page 4)

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HOME NEWS

Business leaders concur:
Israel's economic ills need quick, non-partisan solution

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – The country's economic problems should be tackled immediately, and possibly solved, before a new government is formed, according to leading members of the Coordinating Bureau of the Economic Organizations.

"No matter who sets up the government, it will take some time to do, and the economic problems cannot wait," they said at a bureau meeting here yesterday.

Moreover, it was pointed out that both the major parties, the Alignment and the Likud, were close to full agreement on the necessary steps to be taken, and there was no reason why Shimon Peres and Yitzhak Shamir should not set up a joint committee to start working on these problems.

The speakers were Eli Hurvitz, president of the Manufacturers Association; Eliahu Izakson, president of the Farmers Federation; Avner Ben-Yakar, chairman of the Federation of Chambers of Commerce; David Stern, head of the Contractors Federation; and Avi Pelossof, from the presidium of the Manufacturers Association.

Izakson also called for an immediate package deal, even if it was called a "social contract," between the goverament and the Histadrut. He charged the Histadrut with stalling and using political excuses not to sign a deal with the present Likud government, although it fully recognized the seriousness of the situation. (See *Hevrat Ha'ovdim*, p. 6)



Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Moshe Levy stands atop an armoured personnel carrier shortly after it ran over and detonated a mine on Sunday near Yamik in Lebanon's eastern sector. One soldier was killed and two were wounded by the explosion. (IDF)

Orthodox committee warns:
'Change the Law of Return or have non-Jewish rabbis'

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – Israel or a Diaspora Jewish community may someday have a non-Jewish chief rabbi if the Law of Return is not amended to require halachic conversion. Rabbi David Hollander, a rabbi, army chaplain and sociology professor from New York, warned at a press conference held here yesterday by the Committee for the Integrity of the Jewish People.

He said well-meaning Jews could marry spouses who think they are Jewish but really are not, and the children of such a union could become yeshiva students and, later, rabbis.

Hollander sharply criticized the Reform and Conservative communities in the U.S. for claiming that the unity of the Jewish people would be threatened by requiring halachic conversion. "Those who threaten unity are those who left the fold of traditional Judaism, not those of us who continue to uphold and live by Tora law," he said.

Hollander said the Reform and Conservative movements face discrimination in Israel because "they claim to be Judaism; if they claimed to be another religion they would be accepted." But he added that he would prefer that rather than claiming to be another religion, they become "truly observant Jews."

Rabbi Shmuel Heffer urged following the example of Ben-Gurion's decision that the army would provide kosher food so that all soldiers could serve in the army. Halachic conversion is acceptable to all Jews, but Orthodox rabbis could not accept non-halachic conversion, he said.



Rabbi David Hollander of the Committee for the Integrity of the Jewish People.

Disabled youth sues hospital, two doctors, for malpractice

By D'VORA BEN SHAUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

An 18-year-old disabled Ashkelon resident and his mother this week filed a malpractice suit in the Beersheba District Court against Ashkelon's Barzilai Hospital and two of its physicians.

In their suit the youth and his mother claim that Prof. Zvi Harold and Dr. Natan Kagan failed to inform them that a growth on the son's foot was malignant. As a result the youth became 100 per cent disabled. They have asked the court to set the amount of damages, if any are awarded.

The mother states that in 1969, when her son was three years old, the two doctors named in the suit removed a growth from her son's foot, which the hospital's pathology laboratory found to be slightly malignant. She claims the doctors told her the growth was fatty tissue and assured her that her son was all right and did not require further treatment.

The boy did not, she claims, have any further treatment until age nine, when he had a second growth removed from his foot. this growth, however, was found to be seriously malignant, the mother states, arguing she was not told of this.

Her son was discharged without further treatment.

This year, the mother states, while being examined for army induction her son learned that he had a malignant tumor on his foot and another in his groin. These were removed and he is undergoing therapy.

The mother and her son claim there was "a conspiracy of silence" among the Barzilai doctors, which denied them the right to seek other expert opinion. Neither the hospital nor the doctors have as yet filed a defence brief.

Last night the director of Barzilai Hospital, Dr. Peter Vardi, said the hospital's defence is in the hands of the legal department of the Health Ministry. He said the hospital denies all charges and that a more substantial statement would be forthcoming when the defence brief has been filed with the court.

Beersheba fumes irk chief, residents

By LIORA MORIEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. – Regional fire chief Avner Mordechai has sent a letter to Mayor Eliahu Navi complaining about dangerous fumes from the chemical factories near the fire station. He threatened to close the station if an immediate solution to the pollution problem is not found.

Last month, three firemen were taken to Soroka Hospital here when they felt nauseous during a night shift, and many complaints were lodged by irate citizens as well. Some people told *The Jerusalem Post* that they were considering moving elsewhere because of the pollution.

The chemical factories, notably Makhteshim and Bromine, are blaming each other for the fumes. The municipal sewage pools, small and inadequate for the city's current size, are also frequently cited for noxious smells. Nahal Beersheba has become the area's receptacle for fluid wastes, both household and industrial, and the evening breeze sometimes carries the fumes to nearby neighbourhoods.

Deputy mayor Moshe Silberman, running City Hall for Navi, who is abroad, told *The Post* that the city is aware of the problem but that experts sent to monitor the recent complaints found nothing.

"The gasses simply dissipated, leaving no trace," he said.

Silberman added that a monitor might be placed near the fire station to check for toxic fumes. Yitzhak Biton, the deputy fire chief, said that such a monitor already exists, but that it only checks the air for chlorine.

The director of the Environmental Protection Service, Dr. Uri Marinov, told *The Post* yesterday that he has asked Eli Lederman of the Beersheba EPS unit to systematically monitor the air near the Makhteshim site, which borders on the fire station, to "find out once and for all where the smells come from."

4 Kach supporters charged in TA court

TEL AVIV (Itim). – Four supporters of Rabbi Meir Kahane's Kach movement were yesterday charged with trying to break up a press conference convened last week by residents of Umm el-Fahm to protest against the movement.

The charge sheet, submitted in the district court here, accuses the four – Eliahu Adir, 30, of Tel Aviv; Yehuda Misk, 29, of Jaffa; Uriel Wahab, 29, of Rosh Ha'ayin and Haim Yogev, 32, of Givatayim – with illegal assembly, disorderly behaviour in a public place, and participating in a fight.

A fifth accused, Doron Wilner, 33, of Tel Aviv is also charged with participating in a fight. He reportedly tried to stop the Kach men from interrupting the press conference. He is the son of Communist MK Meir Wilner.

The first four men are charged with shouting in a manner likely to disturb the peace. They are also charged with pushing and hitting each other.

Misk and Wahab wore yellow Kach shirts and Adir made a statement on behalf of the movement, the charge sheet adds.

The accused are scheduled to reply to the charges today before Judge Drora Pilpel in the magistrates court.

Hiring freeze to leave new nurses jobless

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some 500 nurses will graduate from nursing school and receive their licences within the next two weeks, but if the current freeze on employment in government and government-funded institutions remains in force, most of these graduates will be without a job.

Moriah Galili, secretary of the Histadrut Nurses Unoin, said yesterday that she last week told Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad that if something is not done to allow absorption of the young nurses into the labour force, the country's already bad nursing care situation will become disastrous.

Large numbers of infirm patients who need nursing care are not getting it, Galili said.

She added that there is an alarming rise in the number of patients needing nursing care who are paying exorbitant sums to private institutions and even making special additional payments to hospitals – government, Kupat Holim-owned and private.

She also said that many private nurses will work only if paid in foreign currency.

The secretariat of the Nurses Union will this week call an emergency session if they have not yet received an answer from the Treasury offering a solution.

A Treasury official said last night that while everyone is aware of the crisis in the health sector, he doubts if exceptions can be made, lest the entire government employment freeze break down.

Some Negev Beduin still not relocated

Jerusalem Post Reporter

About 100 Beduin families have not yet been relocated in new Negev townships and are living just outside the perimeter fence of the Nevatim Air Force base, which became operational last year. Some 600 other Beduin families have since moved to the townships of Kuseifa and Arouar.

"It's hard going, but slowly but surely we are on the verge of an agreement with them," said a government source. "There was a certain momentum to the evacuation, and now there is no clear policy as to the Beduin still left in the area."

Apart from the 100 families, there are 150 more Beduin families near the air base, on its northern periphery.

But the 600 resettled families are unhappy. *The Jerusalem Post* has learned. Despite promises made last year, the townships still have no electricity and no paved roads.

Although the Electric Corporation has already been paid to connect the two townships to the national grid, it has failed to do so, saying that nobody has yet asked his house to be connected. The Beduins have not asked to be connected because they interpret their agreement with the government to mean that this service should be provided free. The government is only willing to foot half the connection bill. Meanwhile, the unpaved roads are dark and schools and health clinics operate only during the day.

Immigrant mortgages raised

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

New immigrants who signed a contract to buy an apartment after August 1 are entitled to increased mortgages from the Absorption Ministry.

A family of immigrants with immigrant privileges (up to five years after arrival) who buy an apartment up to 85 square metres in size are entitled to a mortgage of IS9.7 million. A family of six to eight persons can receive IS11.6m. for a flat up to 120 square metres. Singles, immigrants married to non-immigrants, and elderly immigrants are offered a mortgage of IS4m.

In addition, immigrants may also receive a supplementary index-linked loan from the bank of their choice of up to IS1.8m., to be repaid over 20 years at 6.2 per cent interest.

Immigrants who buy flats in development areas can also receive a standing loan of IS700,000. Those who purchase an apartment in Beit She'an, Ma'alot, Kiryat Shmona and Shlomi in the North may receive an additional loan of IS350,000.

Flats purchased in Jerusalem's Pisgat Ze'ev quarter entitle immigrant buyers to a linked loan of IS1.5m. in addition to all other financial help from the government.

According to the ministry, over 400 apartments were sold in a "housing fair" organized last month in Jerusalem's Binyenei Ha'uma for potential immigrant buyers.

Panel to investigate death of Haifa boy

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. – Mayor Arye Gurel yesterday appointed a commission to investigate the cirucmstances of the death of a nine-year-old boy, Rabiya Makhoulf, in an abandoned building in the city's Wadi Salib quarter last week.

The commission's investigation will be in addition to a police inquiry already under way.

The mayor also ordered municipal inspectors to examine the partially-demolished quarter to find ways to forestall more accidents. Various authorities concerned with the area have so far ducked all responsibility for safety precautions.

Before hearing of the mayor's decision yesterday, the boy's father demonstrated outside City Hall demanding an inquiry.

Bomb explodes in Kadima

KADIMA (Itim). – A small bomb exploded in front of the local council building of this Sharon area town Sunday night. The explosion broke windows and damaged the facade of the building, but there were no casualties.

A police investigation determined the motive for the blast was criminal and not terrorist.

CIVIL DEFENCE. – There will be a Haga (Civil Defence) exercise tomorrow and Thursday in the Jerusalm area, in which Haga, police, fire brigade and Magen David Adom units will take part. During the exercise various incidents and fires will be staged and rescued vehicle sirens will be heard. In case of a genuine alert, rising and falling sirens will be sounded.

Movement notation parley next week

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV – Experts from the People's Republic of China, the Philippines, India, Yugoslavia and Rumania, in addition to their colleagues from the U.S., Western Europe and Israel, will participate in an international congress on movement notation which will open at Tel Aviv University on Sunday.

It is still not known whether Yuri Grigorovich of the Bolshoi Ballet, who is scheduled to preside at the congress, will be permitted to attend.

Movement notation is the writing down of agreed symbols for different kinds of movement. Though it was developed as early as the 15th century, the real spurt in its development and use has come about only the last 50 years. There are currently three main systems of movement notation: the Benesh system; the Labanotation system; and Israel's own contribution, the Eshkol-Wachman system.

The 10-day conference, which is part of Tel Aviv's 75th anniversary celebrations, will include scientific seminars, performance opportunities for dance troupes and other events.

Seamen demonstrate at labour exchange

HAIFA. – Several dozen seamen demonstrated at the local labour exchange yesterday to protest against their lack of work.

The men, all ratings, stated that 300 of them are unemployed and that they are unable to get permanent jobs with the shipping companies. They blamed this on their union "which gives us only a few months of work a year."

The lack of jobs results from the international shipping slump, the need for smaller crews on the newer ships and the use by some companies of foreign chartered vessels that use cheaper foreign crews. Knowledgeable observers say there is little hope that the number of jobs in the merchant navy will increase in the foreseeable future.

Hasmonean site excavated near Ramallah

RAMALLAH (Itim). – Ritual baths and the remains of wine and olive presses and olive oil making equipment developed by the Hasmoneans have been uncovered at Hirbat Nisia near this city north of Jerusalem.

Coins and rare pottery found at the site confirm the Hasmonean identity, and the baths indicate that the wine and oil makers took care to purify themselves before engaging in production.

The dig was undertaken by the Society for Biblical Research in Philadelphia, with the participation of students from Ozark College. They were assisted by the archeology department of the Judea and Samaria civil adminstration.

The students also found evidence of Byzantine presence at Hirbat Nisia; they, too, apparently made wine and olive oil there. A large press was found inside a cave dug out of the rock. Byzantine pottery and coins were found there.

The site is near the new Isreali settlement of Psagot.

Human Rights Court rejects Barbie petition

STRASBOURG (Reuter). – The European Court of Human Rights last week rejected a petition by former Gestapo chief Klaus Barbie concerning his arrest in Bolivia and expulsion to France.

A brief communique said the court ruled the petition inadmissable. It gave no further details, citing the confidentiality of proceedings against Barbie, who was arrested in La Paz in January 1983.

Barbie, 70, is awaiting trial in Lyons on eight charges of crimes against humanity, dating from his period as Gestapo chief in the southern French city during World War II.

PREHISTORY. – The Haifa Prehistory Museum has published the first handbook on the prehistoric period of Mt. Carmel, written by the veteran explorer of the period, Ya'acov Olami.

Simha Miller elected Kiryat Motzkin mayor

HAIFA – Simha Miller (Alignment) has been elected mayor of Kiryat Motzkin by the local council. He succeeds Moshe Goshen, who died last month. Miller, who is 40 years old, was formerly acting mayor of this Haifa suburb.

MOBILE POST. – The Communications Ministry has opened a new mobile post service for the 12 Jewish settlements of the Hebron area. This follows recent improvements in postal services in Samaria.

Technion teachers: 'Admission rules unfair'

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. – A number of faculty members of the Technion claim special admission requirements for ex-servicemen discriminate against Arab students who do not serve in the armed forces.

Last April, the Technion Senate unanimously decided to compensate ex-soldiers for their years out of school by granting them two credit points for each year of service (up to a maximum of six points) in calculating their entrance qualifications. These are based on a combination of high-school graduation marks and the results of the entrance examination.

This week, 91 of the 1,000 faculty members, including 13 professors who are Senate members, petitioned the university's president to cancel the decision. They said it discriminates against Arab candidates for admission and "other minorities," including women who are exempt from national service, and invalids.

They asserted that such discrimination violates the Technion's own regulations which assure equality to all applicants.

Explaining the lateness of their protest, they said, "many of us had not heard of the decision, and others had paid no attention to it."

The Arab students committee protested a month ago.

However, the dispute may soon be academic, because the Ex-Servicemen's Law which was enacted by the Knesset on July 2 and which grants former soldiers "priority in university admission," will probably be published in *Reshumot*, the official gazette, by the time the school year starts in October.

The faculty members agree that ex-soldiers deserve assistance after devoting three years (and four years or more for many Technion students who serve as officers) to the country, but this help should take the form of refresher courses, stipends and the like.

The Technion spokesman told *The Jerusalem Post* that the decision had clearly not been meant to be discriminatory, but the intention had been to give the men who had been out of school for three years or more an equal chance to compete with candidates who had just completed their schooling.

He noted that the Senate which includes the university's 120 professors had adopted the proposal of its standing committee with no objections.

Nevertheless, the petitioners will be invited to state their case to the Senate's central committee before the school year starts.

The Technion now has about 400 Arab students, about 7 per cent of the nearly 6,000 undergraduates.

Many of them have difficulties finding suitable jobs after graduation, because industries working for the defence establishment are mostly closed to them for security reasons. Some graduates emigrate to the Gulf states. Technion degrees are highly regarded throughout the world and their holders usually land good jobs.

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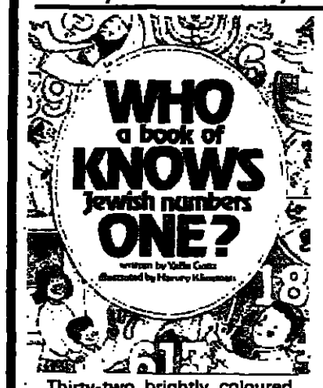
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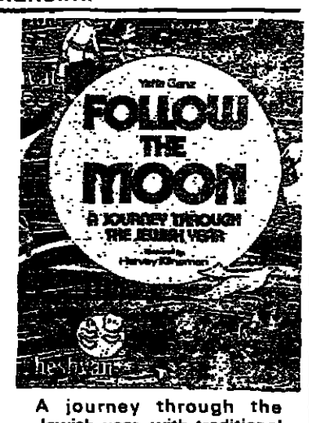
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India rejects Sri Lanka's aid in probe

NEW DELHI (AP). – India has rejected a Sri Lankan proposal for joint investigation of the bomb blast that killed 31 people at the Madras international airport, a Sri Lankan official said here yesterday.

Meanwhile, about 150 relatives of 25 Sri Lankan nationals killed in the explosion were scheduled to arrive yesterday for a mass funeral in Madras, a port city in southern India.

The Madras airport was opened to international flights yesterday after being closed for three days because of the explosion.

Security was tightened at government offices and homes of ministers in Madras after a telephoned threat to kill senior officials in Tamil Nadu state, the United News of India (UNI) reported.

Madras police continued to seek a Tamil man suspected of responsibility for the explosion, triggered by a bomb hidden in an unclaimed suitcase.

A spokesman of the Sri Lankan High Commission in New Delhi said the Colombo government had proposed that it send two senior police officials to help Indian officials investigate the bombing.

He said the Indian government had rejected the proposal.

India's high commissioner in Colombo, S.J.S. Chhatwal, was quoted by the Press Trust of India news agency as saying his government was not interested in a joint probe.

UNI quoted State Home Secretary T.V. Venkataraman as saying an anonymous caller told the chief secretary's office that "our job at Madras' Meenambakkam Airport is over and our next target is the cabinet."

Police said they were looking for 28-year-old Marimuthu Kathiresan, a resident of the Tamil Nadu state of which Madras is the capital. They said Kathiresan disappeared after checking in two suitcases, one of which contained the bomb.

An hour before the blast, an anonymous telephone caller warned airport officials of the bomb, but the officials reportedly assumed it was a hoax and did not evacuate the airport.

Bomb hoaxes were reported at five Indian airports on Sunday, and security was tightened at all airports in India and Sri Lanka.

Meanwhile, an Indian extremist group linked with Sri Lanka's Tamil separatist guerrillas claimed yesterday that it killed 13 soldiers and policemen during week-end attacks in the island nation's northern region.

In a statement issued in Madras, the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eeelam said the attacks included an ambush on a military convoy in which nine policemen were slain.

The guerrillas also raided a police station at Ootisudhan, killing two policemen, threw hand grenades at a military car at Jaffna which killed one army officer, and exchanged fire with an army patrol at Kerudavil in which one soldier died, the statement said.

In another development, judicial officials reportedly began trying close to 350 alleged Sikh extremists yesterday in Punjab state, which was declared a terrorist-affected area last month.

The *Indian Express* newspaper said that two moderates were among the defendants: Harchand Singh Longowal, president of the Akali Dal Party, and Gurcharan Singh Tohra, president of the Golden Temple management committee. They surrendered to authorities during the attack early in June on the Sikh golden Temple.

The entire opposition stalked out of India's Lower House of Parliament yesterday to protest tough new anti-terrorist legislation.

Opposition leaders charged that the proposed law, designed to replace a special presidential decree issued last month, would impose "draconian and anti-democratic" restrictions on the rights of suspects.

But Home Minister P.V. Narashima Rao defended the proposal, saying that it was constitutional and would apply "only to an area declared terrorist-affected."

Prime Minister Indira Gandhi yesterday denied Indian press reports that she had accused a U.S. espionage agency of fomenting Sikh secessionist activity.

Gandhi told reporters in Himachal Pradesh state, in the foothills of the Himalayas, that she had merely quoted a Washington-datelined press report. She did not identify the report.

American track stars, Rumanian gymnasts lead medal haul

LOS ANGELES (AP). – After American Joan Benoit had run away with the first Olympic women's marathon ever, U.S. hurdler Edwin Moses won his 105th consecutive race and Rumanian Women picked up four more gymnastic golds as the centrepieces of Sunday's Games action. The gymnastic gold plus one in rowing and one in weightlifting boosted Rumania, which defied the Soviet-led boycott, into second place in the medal standings.

With Norwegian star Grete Waitz fading in the heat, Benoit won the first U.S. gold medal in women's track since 1968. It was followed quickly by Evelyn Ashford's splendid triumph in the women's 100-metre dash.

An Italian quartet set a new Olympic mark in the last bicycling event of the Summer Games, the 100-kilometre team trial, followed by Switzerland for the silver and the U.S. for the bronze.

Japan added another gold when Yoshiyuki Matsuoka defeated Jung-Oh Hwang with a Yuko (near-pin) in the 65-kilogram class. Marc Alexandre of France beat Britain's Stephen Gawthorpe and Josef Reiter of Austria defeated Italy's Sandro Rosati to win the two bronze medals in the class.

Eight nations divided the eight gold medals in men's rowing, with Finland's Pertti Karppinen winning his third straight Olympic gold in the single sculls. Gold also went to oarsmen from Britain, the U.S., Rumania, Italy, New Zealand, West Germany and Canada.

MEDAL TALLY
(Through Sunday night)

	G	S	B	Total
U.S.	43	35	14	92
W. Germany	7	11	12	30
Rumania	15	9	5	29
China	13	6	5	24
Canada	6	8	7	21
Australia	3	7	10	20
Japan	7	4	8	19
Britain	2	3	11	16
Italy	8	2	5	15
France	2	2	6	10
Sweden	0	5	5	10
Holland	2	2	4	8
Finland	3	1	2	6
Mexico	1	2	1	4
S. Korea	1	2	1	4
Belgium	1	1	2	4
Yugoslavia	1	0	3	4
Switzerland	0	2	2	4
New Zealand	2	0	1	3
Denmark	0	1	2	3
Norway	0	1	2	3
Greece	0	1	1	2
Austria	0	1	1	2
Brazil	0	1	0	1
Colombia	0	1	0	1
Peru	0	1	0	1
Spain	0	1	0	1
Portugal	0	0	1	1
Taiwan	0	0	1	1
Venezuela	0	0	1	1
Jamaica	0	0	1	1

In gymnastics, Mary Lou Retton, already crowned as all-round gymnastics queen of the 1984 games, had to settle for a silver in the uneven bars and floor exercises and fourth on the balance beam.

Ecaterina Szabo of Rumania won the vault and the floor exercises, where she had a near perfect 19.975, and tied for the gold on the balance beam with teammate Simona Pauca. China's Ma Yanhong and American Julianne McNamara shared the gold on the uneven bars.

Rumania's Nicu Vlad broke three Olympic records on his way to winning the gold in 90-kilogram (198-pound) division weightlifting. His total was 393.25 kilograms, ahead of 360.5 kilograms for teammate Petre Dumitru and 353 kilograms for bronze medalist David Mercer of Britain.

The U.S. women's volleyball team beat Peru 16-14, 15-9, 15-10 and advanced to tonight's final against either China or Japan. American women also moved into the championship game in basketball with a 92-61 victory over Canada. They will play South Korea, 69-56 winners over China. In an earlier meeting here, the Americans beat the Koreans 84-47.

Lewis yields spotlight for once; Ashford, Moses grab it in style

LOS ANGELES (Reuter) – As the Olympic track and field events gathered steam on Sunday, Carl Lewis stayed for just one jump, a brief prelude to a further leap towards Olympic immortality.

Lewis left 30 other long jumpers vying for places in the final and yielded the spotlight to golden sprinter Evelyn Ashford and the peerless prince of hurdlers, Edwin Moses.

Ashford clinched the 100 metres gold medal to wipe away the sad memories of a missed Olympic chance in 1980 and a world championship shattered by injury last year. Moses, the most durable of track champions, enhanced his own legend by winning the Olympic 400 metres hurdles title for the second time in eight years, in 47.75, well off his world mark of 47.02 secs.

Lewis, superb winner of the 100 metres title looked set to consolidate the U.S. supremacy in the long jump as he pursued his dream of four Olympic golds. He jumped 8.30 metres with his one leap, 28 centimetres farther than anyone else in the qualifying competition.

"In the final my strategy will be the same as always – to pop a very big jump early to make everyone chase after me. If I feel on after my first jump I might take a second, third or even a fourth jump. I doubt very seriously that I will take more than three jumps – at the absolute most, four," he predicted.

One Olympic record fell on Sunday as Ashford, denied in 1980 by the boycott, streaked across the finish line in the 100m. in 10.97 seconds, 0.04 seconds inside the 1976 mark of West Germany's Annegret Richter.

"I didn't feel as though I was in complete control. My legs were moving too fast... I felt as if I was loosing my balance in the last 10 metres. The most important thing was to keep my balance," the 27-year-old American said.

Ashford said she did not feel anything until she heard the announcer say she had won in Olympic record time – "And then it hit me... I was stunned." Later, on the victory podium, she sobbed. "I thought 'My God it's over. I've done it.' And then I started to cry."



ASHFORD — Pain before joy

She beat her compatriot, Alice Brown, who was second, and Merlene Ottey-Page of Jamaica.

Arto Haerkoenen of Finland prevented an American medal sweep by winning the men's javelin after U.S. former world record-holder Tom Petranoff failed to make the last eight. The winning distance was 86.76m. with Britain's David Ottley taking silver (85.74m.) and Kenth Eldebrinik of Sweden, bronze (83.72m.).

The ever-consistent Moses, made no lapse and afterwards dedicated his second Olympic triumph to his father, who died last December. "I feel that this victory was for him," he said. "I'd have liked to have been able to break the Olympic record here, but the conditions were really not the best. I was just happy to have won."

Moses left 18-year-old Danny Harris and European champion Harald Schmid of West Germany fighting for second place but in no position to endanger a seven-year winning streak which now runs to 105 successive victories. Harris got the silver.

The 28-year-old champion scotched rumours that he would retire. "I still feel I can improve. I really think I can go under 47 (seconds). Experience is one of my great advantages. I continue to win – whatever has carried me to do that, I hope it continues to work," he said.

MARATHON CONTROVERSY

(Continued from Page One)

stadium. But by mid-morning, the course along Los Angeles' highways was like a cauldron.

Andersen-Scheiss, from a small town near Zurich, was in trouble 7km. from the end of the race. She started to stagger across the road but kept going. An experienced runner, she won two marathons last year but but was 15 minutes slower than her best time at the end of Sunday's ordeal in the sun.

Andersen-Scheiss moved to the U.S. ten years ago with her American husband. Both work as ski instructors in Idaho.

A Swiss television reporter said hundreds of people telephoned his station in Zurich to ask why Andersen-Scheiss was not stopped.

Surprisingly, she was not hospitalized. Head physician Eugene Osher said she was "quite dehydrated" and released her to the Swiss team physician at the Olympic Village.

The Canadian team physician, Doug Clement, said it was a classic case of heat dehydration and the runner apparently suffered a stroke, causing a loss of feeling on the left side of her body.

If she had been a Canadian runner, he said, he would have tried to stop her even if she had been in first place. "Good God, you shouldn't let that happen," Clement said.

"There were tears in my eyes ... I was saying, 'My God, what a mess this is. It was the dilemma of all time. Do you tackle her and stop her or do you let her go and have blood on your hands?'"

Later in the day after treatment, and ignoring the controversy she had generated, the game Swiss runner bounced back, announcing "I'm fine now although I'll probably feel weak for a while.

"A lot of it was reflexes. I don't remember too much," she added.

All told 44 of the 50 starters finished the race, Israel's mother-of-two marathon champ Zahava Shmueli also turning in a brave performance in the searing conditions to take 30th spot. Her time of 2.27 was her second-ever personal fastest. "I promised to finish and I'm so glad I did," a slightly relieved Shmueli noted afterwards.

At the top of the list Joan Benoit showed courage, stamina and tactical skill in equal measure to win the race. She had surged to the front only after five kilometres and never relinquished her 150m. lead over the fancied Greta Waitz of Norway.

The winning time of this, the inaugural women's Olympic marathon, was 24.52, with Waitz finishing in 26.18 and Portugal's Rosa Mota taking the bronze in 26.57.

Waitz said Benoit "ran a great, great race," adding, "The way I lost today I can't be anything but pleased. I ran a good race." But Waitz conceded she was "afraid of dying" in the intense heat.

Mondale, Reagan trade shots over economic policies

NORTH OAKS, Minnesota (AP). – Democratic presidential nominee Walter Mondale, eager for a face-to-face debate on taxes and budget deficits with President Ronald Reagan, is working on ideas to cut the flood of federal red ink by two-thirds.

Mondale had a full day of meetings scheduled yesterday to work on his budget and tax plans, after sparring heatedly with the Republican president over the weekend about Mondale's announced ideas for cutting the deficit in half.

Reagan said Mondale would raise taxes by $1,500 per family, a figure Mondale called arbitrary.

"If we were to debate on national television today, I'd cream him, because he's dead wrong," Mondale said at a weekend news conference. "Rather than telling the truth about his plan or lack of it, Mr. Reagan spent most of his time distorting mine."

Mondale also called Reagan the "guess-what?" candidate for refusing to reveal his own tax hike ideas.

Reagan's attack on Mondale came Saturday in a radio address, but on Sunday, Mondale went to the airwaves himself in a five-minute paid political radio talk.

"Right now, our economy is suffering from the largest federal deficits in history. Just to pay off that debt, you'd need a stack of thousand dollar bills almost 135 miles (217 kilometres) high," Mondale said.

Soviets sell India latest MiGs

NEW DELHI (AP). – India has concluded a multimillion dollar deal with the Soviet Union to purchase top-of-the-line MiG-29 fighter jets recently put into use in the Soviet Air Force, a government source said yesterday.

The deal makes India the only nation to which the Soviet Union has sold MiG-29s, which can fly at more than twice the speed of sound.

During Soviet Defence Minister Dmitri Ustinov's visit to New Delhi last March, India urged Moscow to sell it an improved MiG series to counter the sophisticated F-16 warplanes sold to rival Pakistan by the U.S.

Before he left for home, Ustinov agreed to sell India sophisticated warships, fighter jets, missiles, army hardware and electronic surveillance systems on a priority basis.

Some Indian pilots will soon be sent to the Soviet Union for training on MiG-29s, the official said. He declined to disclose the value of the deal or the number of MiG-29s to be bought.

The Soviet Union is India's main supplier of military hardware. India already builds two MiG models and has another in its fleet.

Following a $3.2 billion U.S. military and economic aid package to Pakistan, India signed a deal with France last year to buy 40 Mirage 2000 deep-penetration aircraft.

German-speaking hijacker gives himself up

MARSEILLE (AP). – A man armed with a sawed-off shotgun and a knife surrendered yesterday after hijacking a French cargo plane and forcing it to return to the Marseille Airport, authorities said.

They said the gunman had demanded the aircraft be refuelled and flown to San Franciso, but officials convinced him to give himself up. The hijacker's identity was not known, but officials said he spoke German.

The plane, a DC-8 belonging to the Sfair Freight company, took off from Marseille yesterday morning for Algeria with a cargo of construction material. Airport officials said the plane, with a crew of six, returned to Marseille about 30 minutes later, after the gunman appeared.

Officials said they believed the hijacker slipped unnoticed into the plane's cargo bay early yesterday.

UN chief meets Greek Cypriots in Vienna

VIENNA (AP). – UN Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar met yesterday with Greek Cypriot representatives, beginning talks aimed at bringing Turkish and Greek Cypriots into new discussions toward a settlement for the divided island.

Perez de Cuellar had made clear that he expected no breakthroughs in his separate meetings with Greeks and Turkish Cypriots here. Rather, he told reporters, he was trying to arrange an agreement for full negotiations at a later date.

He was also scheduled to meet with a Turkish Cypriot representative later yesterday or some time today at the Vienna International Centre, which is home to UN agencies here.

Richard Burton to have Swiss burial

CELIGNY, Switzerland (AP). – Richard Burton, the fiery stage and screen actor who died on Sunday of a massive stroke, will be buried on Thursday near his Swiss home instead of his native Wales, his agent said yesterday. Valerie Douglas told reporters that funeral arrangements were pending the arrival of Burton's daughter Kate from Rome, where she was working on a film, and that memorial services would be held in South Wales, London, and "possibly New York."

Her statement denied reports that Burton wanted to be buried in Pontrhydfen, the South Wales mining village he left to forge a spellbinding acting career marked by alcoholism and a volcanic love life, including two marriages to Elizabeth Taylor.

Burton's wife, Sally Hay, personally called Taylor "to spare her the media shock" following Burton's sudden death, Douglas said. Mrs. Burton was "quite shocked, and would remain in seclusion," she added.

The coalminer's son who became a renowned Shakespearean stage actor and Hollywood superstar died on Sunday at Geneva's cantonal hospital following surgery for a "massive brain hemmorhage," Douglas said.

The surgery, by Prof. Alois Werner, "was to relieve the pressure on his brain, but he didn't make it," Douglas said.

Mrs. Burton, who had just marked her first year of marriage to the actor one month ago, was with him throughout the crisis.

Thatcher wins appeal on spy centre

LONDON (AP). – In a major victory for Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, the Appeal Court yesterday ruled that her ban on labour unions at the nation's top-secret intelligence-gathering centre was lawful.

The three-judge Appeal Court said the courts were not entitled to interfere in matters of "national security" and accepted arguments by Thatcher's lawyers that she imposed the controversial ban last March in the national interest.

Disappointed leaders of the six labour unions which operated at the government communications headquarters in Cheltenham, southwest England, said immediately they would appeal to Britain's highest court, the House of Lords.

Minor tremor leaves Olympics area undamaged

LOS ANGELES. – A minor earthquake early yesterday shook a 145-kilometre radius of southern California, including the olympic shooting venue, seismologists reported.

The tremor registered 4.5 on the Richter scale. No one was hurt and no damage was reported, police said.

The shooting venue, at Chino, on the northeastern outskirts of Los Angeles, was closed at the time and no marksmen were there, police said.

They said they received telephone calls from people in the area who felt the jolt, but seismologists placed the epicentre of the earthquake in uninhabited desert.

On Sunday evening an earthquake shook an area of northern California, but there were no reports of injury or damage.

The state office of emergency services said the quake, centred in the mountains north of Santa Cruz, measured 4.3 on the Richter scale.

In Iran yesterday, an earthquake measuring 5.8 on the Richter scale shook the Kerman area in the southeast, the official Iranian news agency reported, adding that no casualties or damage had been reported. (Reuter, AP)

Nicaragua opposition to spurn elections

MANAGUA (Reuter) – Nicaragua's main opposition group has failed to register candidates for November's general election, apparently deciding not to take part.

The election, to choose a president, vice-president and a 90-member constituent assembly, will be Nicaragua's first since the 1979 revolution.

The authorities had extended the deadline by 24 hours but the Democratic Coordinator, a group of four conservative parties, said the extension was too short. The opposition warned it would not take part in the poll unless the government began a national dialogue embracing U.S.-backed insurgent groups.

The ruling Sandinists turned down the proposal. When the midnight deadline passed, the Conservatives had not registered.

City marks 39th anniversary of first atom bomb

Hiroshima mayor urges nuclear arms ban

TOKYO (AP). – After a minute of silence which at 8.15 a.m. local time yesterday marked the moment the world's first atomic bomb struck Hiroshima 39 years ago, Hiroshima mayor Takeshi Araki said: "The spirit of Hiroshima has permeated the whole world" in the search for an end to the nuclear arms race.

Araki spoke to about 50,000 people at the city's peace park, under skies as clear as the morning the U.S. B-29 bomber Enola Gay sought out its target.

"Popular campaigns against nuclear arms have arisen spontaneously," the mayor said, adding, "we solemnly urge the nuclear powers to heed this international outcry."

The Hiroshima mayor called on the U.S. and the Soviet Union to resume negotiations for disarmament, and said the nuclear powers should "initiate an immediate nuclear test ban, and begin to eliminate their nuclear armouries."

A flock of doves filled the sky above the park as the brief annual ceremony ended.

Among the crowd were survivors of the bombing, and relatives of those killed on August 6, 1945.

Yesterday evening, citizens gathered after dusk at Hiroshima's Motoyasu River for further ceremonies.

Many people, including relatives of those who died in the bombing, followed the tradition of sending miniature wooden rafts, carrying single candles inside square paper frames, down the river. Some of the rafts carried the names of victims, while appeals for peace were written on others.

Immediately after the Hiroshima atom bomb attack, hundreds of burned victims fled to the city's rivers only to drown as they lost their strength after they reached the water. An estimated 118,000 people died from the heat, blast and radiation of the bomb that levelled the city that day.

Three days later, on August 9, 1945, a second nuclear bomb killed an estimated 78,000 more in Nagasaki, a Catholic stronghold in southern Japan.

Filipinos flee stepped-up fighting in southern area

MANILA (AP). – Thousands of people have fled nine villages in southern Lanao del Sur province to escape the fighting between government forces and Moslem separatist rebels, the Philippine News Agency reported yesterday.

PNA listed five soldiers and at least two rebels killed since the military stepped up its campaign last month against reinforced units of the Moro National Liberation Front, which is fighting for Moslem self-rule in the Mindanao region, 800 kilometres south of Manila.

The government news agency said "thousands of residents" in nine villages in the municipalities of Maguing, Appa and Lumba-Bayabao fled their homes to avoid being caught in the crossfire.

The military has declared the nine villages as "restricted areas."

PANDA. – The U.S. National Zoo's Panda Ling Ling has given birth to a stillborn cub in her second unsuccessful delivery, zoo officials said in Washington yesterday.

France, Italy through to semis

LOS ANGELES (AP). – France, led by right-winger Daniel Xuereb, who scored two outstanding goals, defeated Egypt 2-0 and advanced to the semi-finals of the soccer tournament.

Italy also qualified for the semifinals by dropping Chile 1-0 on the strength of a goal scored in extra time by Bienamino Vignola, from the penalty spot.

Last night, Brazil played Canada for the right to meet Italy with the winners of the Yugoslavia v. W. Germany clash facing France in the semis.

Basketball qualifying

Group A

	W	L	F	A	Pts
Yugoslavia	5	0	457	366	10
Italy	4	1	437	363	8
Australia	3	2	383	403	6
W. Germany	2	3	384	376	4
Brazil	1	4	401	423	2
Egypt	0	5	349	480	0

Group B

	W	L	F	A	Pts
U.S.	5	0	511	315	10
Spain	4	1	457	438	8
Canada	3	2	462	401	6
Uruguay	2	3	403	460	4
China	1	4	364	477	2
France	0	5	383	489	0

Consolation semifinals: Brazil 100, France 86; China 76, Egypt 73.

Last night's quarter final line-up: Italy vs. Canada; Yugoslavia vs. Uruguay; Spain vs. Australia; U.S. vs. W. Germany.

British continue to fly high

MONTEREY PARK (AP). – Great Britain – lucky to be here at all after the Soviet withdrawal – charged into the semifinals of the men's field hockey tournament by beating the Netherlands 4-3, while New Zealand came up with their first victory – a 4-1 result over Kenya.

Pakistan also reached the semifinals from Group B by humiliating Canada 7-1, the most lopsided margin in the tournament.

The victory put Pakistan in second place in the group, two points behind Britain and one ahead of Holland.

Australia, together with W. Germany or India advance from Group A.

Double win

MEMPHIS (AP). – Veteran Bob Eastwood acquired his second title of the PGA tour season in a two-stroke triumph in the Memphis classic.

Eastwood, 38, who went through 12 long years without a victory before a victory in New Orleans earlier this season, won this one with a final round of par 72 and a 280 total, eight under par.

Bernhard Langer of West Germany captured the $25,000 first prize in the Irish Open at Dublin.

Tennis tourneys

NORTH CONWAY (AP). – Eighth-seeded Joakim Nystrom, one of a growing number of highly ranked Swedes, advanced to the final of the $255,000 Volvo international tennis tournament here with a 2-6, 6-1, 6-4 victory over Juan Aguilera of Spain.

Unseeded and scrambling Tim Wilkison of the U.S. completed his surprise move into the final with a 7-5, 6-4 triumph over Victor Pecci of Italy, who had earlier put out Israeli Shlomo Glickstein.

Martina Navratilova, the world's top women player, won the $150,000 Virginia Slims of Newport tournament for her 43rd consecutive victory, defeating Gigi Fernandez of Puerto Rico.

Fernandez, 22, only a qualifier, battled gamely and pushed the five-time Wimbledon champ to a second-set tiebreaker, finally giving in at 6-3, 7-6, (7-3).

Moreland grand slam keeps Cubs in front

NEW YORK (AP). – Keith Moreland's grand slam and one-hit relief pitching by Rick Reuschel led first-place Chicago to a 4-3 victory over the Montreal Expos in Sunday's American baseball action, the eighth triumph for the cubs in 10 games.

Moreland's second career grand slam came in the third inning with two outs off Dick Grapenthin, the replacement for injured David Palmer. The blast made a winner of middle reliever Reuschel, 5-5, who pitched three innings of one-hit ball before Lee Smith buried the final two innings for his 24th save.

National League: New York 3, Pittsburgh 1, 10 innings; San Francisco 7, Atlanta 4; Philadelphia 6, St. Louis 3; Cincinnati 2, Los Angeles 1, 11 innings; Chicago 4, Montreal 3; San Diego 9, Houston 5.

American League: Kansas City 5, Detroit 4; New York 4, Cleveland 0; Boston 4, Texas 2; Toronto 4, Baltimore 3; Chicago 7, Milwaukee 0; Minnesota 4, California 2; Oakland 5, Seattle 4.

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CORRECTION

Cagliostro the Fantastic – Magic Show will appear at the ISRAEL MUSEUM every Sunday and Thursday at 5.30 p.m. and not as appeared on Friday, August 3, in the Jerusalem Post Supplement.

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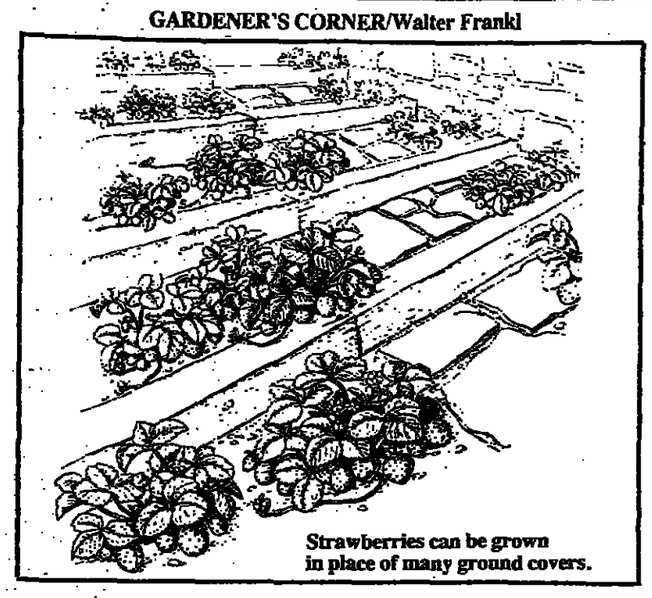
HAGA (Civil Defence) Exercise in Jerusalem

Tomorrow and the day after, Wednesday and Thursday, August 8-9, there will be a Haga exercise in Jerusalem.
Haga, police, fire brigade and Magen David Adom personnel will participate in the exercise. Civil defence incidents and fires will be staged and fire brigade and rescue vehicle klaxons will be heard. In the event of a real attack, the sirens will sound a rising and falling note.

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BRITISH BONSAI

GARDENER'S CORNER/Walter Frankl



Strawberries can be grown in place of many ground covers.

A MONOPOLY has been broken. The geraniums and petunias which have traditionally featured with monotonous regularity in balcony boxes and hanging baskets throughout England have given way to the trees of the forest – the dwarf variety. This new trend, in which dwarf conifers are planted in the middle or at both ends of plant containers has spread to the continent, particularly Holland and Germany. It impressed everyone on our gardening tour to England, and marks a further step in the aim of modern horticulture: to bring nature – shrubs and trees as well as flowers – closer to ourselves and our homes.

Both English and continental gardeners use dwarf pines, thuyas, cypresses, cedars, araucarias and sometimes hollies (*ilex, tzinit* in Hebrew) or box (*buxus, escharoa* in Hebrew), which is an evergreen shrub with red berries. In some places I also found junipers (*juniperus, ar-ar* in Hebrew). These tree-like shrubs of the pine family grow wild in Israel.

I don't know if the trees are real dwarfs or ordinary plants trained as miniatures, like in Japanese bonsais. The question is, of course, how long they can grow in a small balcony box until their roots, always stronger than those of flowers, become too large and a menace to the flowering plants.

In my experience, these trees or tree-like shrubs can live in the boxes for four to five years without doing damage to the flowers. Even after that period, when the lower part of the container is filled with tree roots, you'll still be able to achieve an attractive effect by planting shallow-rooting annuals like lobelia, phlox, alyssum (*lobularia*), nasturtium or portulaca on the top.

I have been growing bonsai trees in flat containers on my balcony for four or five years, and I have some helxines (shallow-growing, evergreen creepers) planted around different kinds of olives, pines, cypresses and carobs. They do well consistently, in both summer and winter. We should not forget that in Japan, a bonsai tree flourishes in the same small container for 200 to 300 years, traditionally being handed down within the family.

How can you find evergreen suitable trees? Nothing is easier. Do you have some old pines or cypresses in your garden? Look and see if there are any seedlings (germinated from the fallen cones) around your trees. If there are none, wait for the first winter rains and take a walk through one of our many forests. There you'll find – free of charge – pencil-size tree seedlings for planting in your balcony containers. These can first be raised in yoghurt cups; you can even cut their tops to make them bushier before transplanting them into their permanent home.

Every Englishman's a gardener. One of the most positive experiences of our tour to England (organized by Zion Tours and *The Jerusalem Post*) was the constant view of well-kept gardens with their lovely flowers and well-kept hedges and lawns. We found this standard all over the country, not only in well-known parks and famous grounds or around the luxury homes of the well-to-do. The small front gardens of the poorest miners in the coal districts earned our sincere admiration.

When our bus passed through a village or town, we saw that no house lacked its own, orderly garden. There were blue lobelias, white lobularias, red and pink geraniums, purple petunias and yellow sunflowers. There was also hardly a house without one or more hanging baskets and windows containing balcony boxes of miniature trees. Some gardens boasted edible plants like polebeans, potatoes, strawberries, cabbages, tomatoes, onions, blackberry and raspberry shrubs and fruit trees.

August gardening. This is the dryest and hottest of the year. Which means more watering, more mulch to stop the evaporation of moisture, and tougher battle against pests and diseases.

For your own well-being, try to work either in the early morning or late afternoons. Use nemazon bait against snails and slugs and malathion or sano-gan spray against aphids and other insects. Apply sulphur powder or liquid seprol against fungus diseases like mildew and rust. During temperatures of 30°C or more, you should water daily, especially outdoor plants in clay pots, hanging baskets and other containers.

The best time for watering is in the late afternoon. To save time and water, you can use dripping pipes which are easy to place around rose bushes, fruit trees, ornamentals of all kinds (hedges, shrubs, trees and cacti corners) as well as vegetables and flower beds. An efficient and time-saving system is the movable, "do-it-yourself" sprinkler.

Fix a spiked sprinkler (available at garden supply shops) to a half-inch rubber or plastic hose and connect the other end to the tap. Put a one-metre iron pipe (your plumber will provide one) into a cucumber tin filled with sand or soil. The next step is to insert the sprinkler spike into the top of the iron pipe and open the water tap. This gives a lovely light rain over an area of about 10 metres. After a good soaking of around half an hour, close the tap and move the tin with the mounted sprinkler to another place, where you open the tap again.

Roses are red. Fewer and smaller flowers are mostly produced during the hot period of August. But bear in mind the so-called "second round" of rose blooming which generally starts in October. You have enough time to dig shallow trenches around every plant and fill them with moisture-retaining and root-cooling mulch. Use dry pine needles, dry leaves, grass clippings, saw dust, wood-shavings and small pieces of tree bark, or dry cow manure. Continue feeding every two weeks with organic or chemical fertilizers.

More aphids will appear on the stem tops with the appearance of more rose buds in October, and you should spray once a month with malathion or sano-gan. Add a handful of superphosphate to every bush and water regularly. In early September, you can dig the ground around the roses (not in the trenches!) and spread nasturtium seeds on it. Rake them in and you'll see them germinate within a week. Apart from their lovely yellow, orange and red flowers, they'll protect your roses against plant lice and other harmful insects.

German irises can be thinned out and propagated during August. Use a garden fork to lift the clumps. Leave a space of about half a metre between plants. Before transplanting to another flower bed, remove the soil, then cut the roots and the leaves to half their size and plant the rhizomes half a metre apart.

Vigorous Vegetables. Some heat-resisting summer crops can be still planted in August. They are tomatoes, sweet corn, okra (*bamia* in Hebrew) and New Zealand spinach.

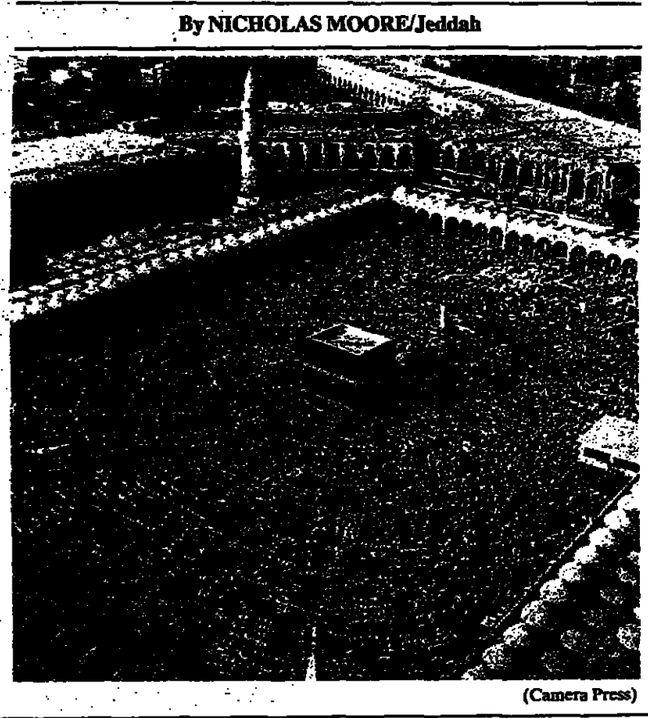
Get ready for September. One of the most important months for gardeners in Israel, is September, which is cooler. You can plant all kinds of annuals and perennials. Some bulb plants, like the madonna lily (*Lilium candidum, shoshan tsahor* in Hebrew), as well as calla lilies and wild cyclamen, may be set out in September. This is also a very suitable time to propagate geraniums by cuttings. On the vegetable front, you can sow onions, radishes of all kinds, carrots, peas, broad beans, spinach, beetroots and potatoes, and plant lettuce, cabbages and strawberries.

To be ready for September, you should add manure or compost to every empty spot in your garden and turn the soil afterwards by deep digging. Don't forget to prepare more balcony containers and flower pots for more house plants and outdoor plants (resistent to cold). All containers should have adequate drainage and be filled with the best garden soil.

P.S. on Herbs. Don't forget that in late August and early September, you can also grow kitchen herbs like parsley (ordinary and curled), dill, coriander, celery and chives.

Getting ready for the Haj

By NICHOLAS MOORE/Jeddah



(Camera Press)

THE FAITHFUL are arriving in Saudi Arabia by jumbo jet and ocean liner for the annual Haj pilgrimage, a religious epic that poses huge organizational problems for the desert kingdom.

More than one million "Guests of God" are expected from abroad, about a tenth of the Saudi population. With Saudis and resident aliens, those congregated in worship on the plain of Arafat, near Mecca, may exceed two million in number.

Last year, two-and-a-half million gathered bare-headed in searing heat for the afternoon of the *Wuquf* (standing), which is spent in prayer, repeating the cry: "Here I am, oh God, here I am."

The *Wuquf* is held on the ninth day of the Islamic month of Dhu'l-Hijjah, which will be early in September.

To limit the numbers that press upon available space, transport, heatstroke centres and other facilities, the government this year is discouraging resident aliens who have already performed Haj from going again to Mecca.

The pilgrimage poses difficult problems for the Saudi royal family, custodians of the holy places by right of conquest, say officials and diplomats.

The Saudis are held responsible by the Moslem faith for ensuring that pilgrims are able to make their devotions in an orderly and elevated atmosphere.

Next to an outbreak of epidemic disease, the government chiefly fears political disturbances involving Iranian pilgrims of the Shi'ite sect, whose revolutionary clerical rulers are ideological adversaries.

In a conciliatory mood after a flare-up in the gulf "tanker war," Saudi Arabia has said it will welcome a record 150,000 Iranians, including Parliamentary Speaker Hashemi Rafsanjani.

RAFSANJANI, representative of spiritual leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini in the inner council that sets Iranian policy for the conduct of the 46-month-old war against Iraq, is reported from Teheran to still be deciding whether to accept.

A Saudi government official, speaking privately, said, "The Haj is a time of renewal. We hope that it could be a time of peacemaking."

Another official, Jeddah airport director Zuhair Sindi, referred to the hazard of disease and stressed that health checks on arriving pilgrims were particularly strict. Sindi is in the front line of coping with the influx.

He said he expected a record 800,000 to arrive by air, and to leave in a rush after the Haj. Up to 140 extra flights could be needed on peak days, with around 90,000 people in the Haj terminal at any one time.

Saudi officials say rents for the stay in Mecca should range between 1,000 and 1,500 Saudi riyals (between $300 and about $400). Further charges are levied for guides assigned to each group, transport and other amenities.

But the kingdom stresses that it no longer levies a tax. Before the production of Saudi Arabian oil, pilgrims were the main source of revenue in the Hejaz, the Red Sea littoral of Arabia that came under Saudi rule in 1924-25.

An official Saudi history says only 100,000 made the Haj then, adding that it fell to King Abdul Aziz Ibn Saud, founder of the modern kingdom, to end "the lawlessness which deterred Moslems from performing the Haj for fear of robbery and murder."

With the oil boom, the royal family has lavished billions of dollars on Haj amenities such as the airport and on refurbishing the holy places. The surrounds of the sacred Kaaba in the grand mosque at Mecca are paved with gleaming marble.

Latest projects include a six-lane expressway costing about $700 million linking Mecca with Medina, some 800 kilometres apart.

The Haj, however, remains a source of profit for the merchant houses of Jeddah. Sindi said some airlines had to lay on extra freighter flights to move baggage accumulated by pilgrims who had been on shopping sprees.

The interior ministry has pledged to punish anyone found fleecing the faithful. For instance, bus drivers who make unauthorized halts and then "rent" the space in the shade of their vehicles to sweltering passengers will be fined 20 riyals for each pilgrim aboard.

A ministry pamphlet urged pilgrims to beware of touts, wear wrist tags, not to camp in the grand mosque and not to bring "pictures and political and ideological leaflets of a provocative and hurtful nature."

Anyone who did indulge in politics "should expect no lenience or forgiveness," it said.

(Reuter News Service)

Treasure hunt

By PHILIP SHEHADI/Cairo

DIVERS HAVE started to recover some of the treasures from Napoleon Bonaparte's flagship L'Orient, a warship reputed to be carrying chests of plundered gold when it was sunk by the British navy in 1798.

Since June, a French-funded diving team has been scouring the Mediterranean floor in this bay near Alexandria for relics from L'Orient – one of four French vessels sent to the bottom by Admiral Horatio Nelson's fleet in the "Battle of the Nile."

Legend says L'Orient, which had three bridges, 120 cannon and carried more than 1,000 men, was laden with bullion, silver and jewels snatched from the then-infamous knights of Malta.

An initial search of the wreck and the seabed has uncovered relics ranging from a giant bronze and wood rudder to everyday 18th century items such as cups, coins, pots, pistols, swords, buttons, wine bottles, cutlery and China plates.

"It was a fabulous floating city... A miniature world of everything needed for daily life," expedition leader Jacques Dumas, a French diver says.

Other finds, most of them well-preserved by the silt on the seabed, include a flour mill, a compass, countless nails, spikes and bullets, and more than 100 bits of lead type in both Arabic and Latin characters.

Napoleon had seized what was believed to be the only Arabic press of the day from the Vatican and took it to Egypt to print propaganda leaflets aimed at his new subjects.

ON AN AVERAGE day, the crew of the salvage ship, Bon Pasteur, find more than a dozen bits of type mixed with stones, coral and sludge pumped from the seabed.

They also pick out silver coins bearing the profile of Louis XVI and fill buckets of seared bronze plating and splintered wood, eerie reminders of the explosion that sent L'Orient to the bottom.

But so far there has been no sight of the gold that Napoleon was believed to have kept aboard the ship to pay his men and finance his ambitious expedition to the East.

In July last year, shortly after the wreck of L'Orient was discovered, members of the salvage team said they were sceptical of retrieving gold from it.

They said it could not be ruled out that Napoleon had removed the gold before the Battle of the Nile, or that his men rescued it from the wreck after the fight.

Napoleon, who brought his troops to Egypt on an ill-fated invasion a month earlier, was in Cairo when the British fleet entered the bay on August 1, 1798. But the French fleet commander, Admiral De Brueys, was on L'Orient.

By dawn the next day Nelson had sunk four French warships, captured six and pillaged three others that ran aground. Historians say the battle was a turning point, clinching British supremacy in the Mediterranean for many years.

DUMAS SAYS his expedition is uncovering new evidence on how the battle was fought. "I expect to correct many misconceptions that have been passed on through the years," he adds.

Last summer, Dumas and a French-Egyptian naval team used sonar equipment to locate three of the four sunken ships eight to 12 kilometres off the coast.

Salvage efforts are now focussed on L'Orient. The diving team will shift in time to the frigate Arthemis and the 74-gun Guerrier. The 36-gun Serieuse remains to be found.

The wrecks are in shallow water of up to 12 metres deep, but visibility is poor. "I grope around like a blind man looking for something that shines, something that sticks out," says lead diver Gilbert Fournier.

THE MOST spectacular discovery so far has been L'Orient's 15-tonne bronze and wood rudder, which Dumas says is in perfect condition. He is seeking a crane to lift it out of the water.

Dumas says L'Orient is too badly damaged to be salvaged completely. "But I think we can raise enough of the stern to rebuild the back part of it," he adds.

Work will begin next year on a national maritime museum overlooking the bay to house items from the wrecks, which are to be split between Egypt and France.

Ahmed Kadri, director of the Egyptian Antiquities Organization, says that salvage efforts could continue for many years. "What's going on is really just preparatory work. The main work will be decided in coming seasons after we see what is required to bring the wrecks to the surface."

The organization is providing divers and technical assistance for the project while a number of French agencies are financing it.

(Reuter News Service)

Voice of Moscow

By SUSAN J. SMITH/Bonn

A RECENT Soviet press barrage against the Bonn government could signal a Soviet attempt to stop relations improving between the two Germanys, officials here believe.

According to one well-informed government source, Bonn fears the Soviets may veto a planned visit to West Germany this September by East German President Erich Honecker.

Soviet accusations that Bonn is militaristic and expansionist have increased this month, as relations between East and West Germany have reached a new high.

The Soviet Communist Party newspaper *Pravda* recently charged that West Germany wants to undermine East Germany's sovereignty.

Moscow, is apparently concerned that its Warsaw Pact ally, East Germany, is getting too friendly with Nato member West Germany and is trying to "pin down the East German leadership to a harder line" toward West Germany, the chairman of the Bonn parliament's foreign policy committee, Werner Marx said in a newspaper interview.

"It has been recognizable for weeks that the Soviet Union is not showing itself to be especially cooperative towards Honecker's wish to visit West Germany," said Marx, who, like West German Chancellor Helmut Kohl, is a Christian Democrat.

ALTHOUGH HONECKER has agreed to the visit – his first official one to West Germany – the two countries have not formally announced a date for fear the Soviets may yet order East Berlin to cancel it, one source said.

He made the comment in a background conversation on the condition that he not be named.

Bonn government spokesman, Peter Boenisch, says West Germany hopes the Soviet press attacks will not affect East German willingness to deal with Bonn.

"I can only hope that both German states will want to continue to go on the way they have chosen," he said in a recent news conference.

Pravda's attack said Bonn is using "economic levers" to try to undermine the East German state. This appeared to be a slap at the Bonn cabinet's decision to guarantee a $330 million bank loan to East Germany.

East Germany is expected to reciprocate by announcing shortly relaxations on travel restrictions between the two German states, said Philipp Jenninger, Kohl's aide who handled the negotiations.

Pravda charged that Bonn's expressed desire to improve relations with East Germany does not make sense as long as West Germany continues to deploy U.S.-built nuclear missiles on its soil.

"What kind of partnership can one talk about when one holds one's neighbour under the sights of first-strike nuclear weapons?" *Pravda* asked.

IT SAID relations between the two German states could not be seen independently of international relations and a continued Nato "attack against detente."

One Western diplomat in Bonn said he thought the *Pravda* attack expressed deep Soviet disapproval of the goings-on between Bonn and East Berlin.

"The fact that the Russians have gone public with such strong language indicates they have been pressuring Honecker privately for some time," said the diplomat, who asked not to be identified by name or country.

"This is an extremely serious move... It calls the Honecker visit into question," he said.

West German television also suggested the recent Soviet criticisms of Bonn are aimed at getting Honecker to cancel his visit.

"It looks as though now Honecker is supposed to be convinced to join the propaganda war and not travel to the Federal Republic (West Germany) in September," said a television commentator on the first channel, Ard.

A few weeks ago, the Soviets vigorously protested a European decision to lift post-war restrictions on West German military production, saying it was further evidence that West Germany is being turned into a military staging ground for a first strike.

The same week, a cartoon published in the *Pravda* depicted a goose-stepping German demanding a return to pre-World War II frontiers, with a shadow of Adolf Hitler in the background.

Boenisch said the East bloc critics are overlooking West Germany's "Ostpolitik" treaties of the '70s normalizing relations with the East.

"The charges of an alleged militarism and expansionism of the federal (Bonn) government are groundless and have no connection to these binding agreements," he said.

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Dead Sea Bromine plows back $13m. profit into expansion

By LIORA MORIEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEERSHEBA. – The Dead Sea Bromine Group had a profit of $13 million in the 1983/84 fiscal year, general manager Ariel Ginsburg told reporters yesterday at the company's Ramat Hovav plant, 12km. south of here. The company invested this profit and another $7m. in expanding existing installations and the construction of new ones.

Dead Sea Bromine, a subsidiary of Israel Chemicals, is made up of three plants. Dead Sea Bromine in Sdom, Bromine Compounds in Ramat Hovav, and Broomchemie in Holland. It also has five distribution agencies throughout the world. About 95 *per cent of production* is exported to 90 countries.

The bromine extracted from the Dead Sea is marketed either in pure form or as bromine compounds. Of 65,000 tons produced last year, 49,000 tons were sold as compounds. "In the past six years our exports have grown from 15 per cent of the world market to 22 per cent," Ginsburg said. He added that the Socialist bloc countries produce 20,000 tons a year. The U.S. is the world's biggest producer, he noted, but most of its bromine is for the house market.

"Wars and strikes in this region directly affect the international market," Ginsburg said. Israel supplies two thirds of the world market outside the U.S. "The only solution we have found is to keep large amounts of bromine in storage overseas."

The company's five-year plan calls for doubling production by 1989. A major problem is finding sufficient qualified personnel, especially in chemistry and chemical engineering. The 14 chemical engineers who graduated from Ben-Gurion University last year all work now in the Negev's chemical industries, but 14 more are needed immediately. "We are willing to send our people at our own expense to teach highschool chemistry as a way of solving the problem," Ginsburg said. "The level of teaching today is deplorable."

The company's last "smelly installation" will close in Beersheba at the end of the month, Ginsburg promised. Beersheba will remain the company's R&D centre.

Bromine Compounds in Ramat Hovav makes 49 products in ten installations. It is the only plant in the world to manufacture sodium



Ariel Ginsburg

bromate, a substitute for hydrogen peroxide, and one of only three to manufacture tetrabromobisphenol, a flame retardant.

Ami Cohen, assistant manager in charge of marketing and research, said that while the company sells to many countries with which Israel has no diplomatic relations, "Egypt seems to make difficulties and buy fewer and fewer products."

For example, he said, a by-product in bromine production is caustic soda, which is dumped cheaply on the world market. Egypt, which needs a lot of caustic soda, he stressed, prefers to buy it at much higher prices elsewhere, rather than truck it in from Israel. "No safety problems are involved in transporting caustic soda overland," he added.

Hevrat Ha'Ovdim scores gov't for taking economic measures 'on the sly'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – The government's recent economic measures were strongly attacked yesterday at a meeting of the management committee of Hevrat Ha'Ovdim, the Histadrut holding company.

Having already lost control of the economy, the government is now taking steps without adequate planning, many speakers said. They stressed that the recent steps would seriously damage the country's industrial sector.

The speakers also accused the government of introducing many of the measures "on the sly," such as the decision to freeze development loans, the reduction of export incentives, and the unilateral changing or cancellation of signed agreements. Those measures, they stressed, are in addition to the announced measures, such as the freeze on government orders.

The committee called for the early establishment of a permanent government, and stressed Hevrat Ha'Ovdim's willingness to participate in the rejuvenation of the economy. It called on Finance Minister Yigal Cohen-Orgad to introduce "constructive interim measures," rather than steps which would bequeath "unemployment and other serious problems to the next government."

Workers petition Treasury for extensive tax relief

By MACABEE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – The workers committees at more than 1,500 factories and businesses recently signed a petition calling on the finance minister to make sure that an equitable income tax was imposed on all.

Naftali Ben Moshe, of the Histadrut Central Committee, said yesterday that the establishments involved "were large and small and represented a cross-section of the country's labour force."

The workers called for a 10 per cent reduction in income tax for all those who had their tax deducted at source. They also want the children's allowance to be increased to 5 per cent of the average wage – the same level it was when the law governing the allowances was passed.

Other demands concerned increasing the "tax deduction credit" for working mothers, whose absence from the home increased their expenses, and exempting employers *from paying* income tax on the money they contributed towards tuition in kindergartens.

The workers also want their annual vacation pay to be tax-free, so that they'll be encouraged to really take a vacation and not just collect the money.

Exempting car allowances for travelling to and from work from tax was another demand.

Finally they want to reduce income taxes for those working second and third shifts in plants where these shifts are vital operations.

Electronics firm gets U.S. distributor

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – The local PCB company, which manufactures printed circuit boards, has signed an agreement with a firm in New Jersey to market its products in the United States.

PCB was established only three years ago and is located at the Migdal Ha'emek industrial park. The New Jersey firm also manufactures *printed circuit boards, but it has had* to turn down orders because it does not have enough trained workers to increase production.

PCB is now training ten engineers who will be sent to New Jersey to handle specifications for export orders.

Yory Salant, the general manager of Afik Investments, which owns 74 per cent of PCB, told a press tour of the plant that the company's turnover in 1983 was $4 million. During the first quarter of this year the turnover was $1.6m. He expects the turnover to increase considerably once the plant starts exporting to the United States.

Rafi Amit, the general manager of PCB, revealed that the firm's R&D



Yory Salant

department was now developing an automatic machine that will be able to check the quality of printed circuits. He called this a breakthrough, enabling the company to produce at greater speed and with a higher degree of reliability. If the machine meets all expectations, it will be offered to other printed circuit board companies abroad.

Major move in South Africa to help ailing currency

JOHANNESBURG (Reuter) – South Africa has announced a major economic package to boost the ailing rand and check inflation with a sharp rise in interest rates.

A joint statement from new Finance Minister Barend du Plessis, Commerce Minister Dawie de Villiers and the Reserve Bank said the government was sharply raising its lending rates to banks from last Friday.

They said this was expected to force up the prime lending rate, already at a record high of 22 per cent, to between 24 and 25 per cent. The cost of borrowing for businesses and consumers will rise sharply.

The South African rand, hit by the strength of the U.S. dollar and the generally weak price of gold, the country's main export, slumped to a record lows recently.

"The measures express strong remedial action," the government said. "They are aimed at slowing down the rate of increase in the money supply and total spending in order to prevent an undue depreciation of the rand and a further acceleration of inflation."

Inflation is currently running at nearly 12 per cent, much higher than the rates of South Africa's main trading partners.

Economists say excessive government spending and too much credit for consumers has sharply increased the money supply, which is linked to inflation.

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Jerusalem Post Reporter

One of the largest family groups to *visit Israel for the purpose of celebrating bar mitzvot* and *bat mitzvot* on Masada arrived yesterday on board two El Al Boeing jumbos from the United States.

The group, organized by ITAS – the Israel Travel Advisory Service – totals 575 persons, including 97 bar mitzva and bat mitzva youngsters with their families, close relatives and friends.

As a special gesture for those children in the Soviet Union who are denied the possibility of celebrating their bar mitzva, a proxy ceremony will be held.

A non-commercial enterprise, ITAs has since its inception in 1970 brought some 25,000 youngsters and *their families* to Israel. The Service was created by Ceil Shar and her daughter Marilyn Ziemke in the kitchen of the Shar home from where it still operates. The holding of the ceremonies in Israel and especially on Masada has touched upon the lives of thousands of Jewish families in the U.S. and Canada.

Trans Global Travel is the ITAS agent in Israel.

Big Soviet buys of U.S. grain are puzzling

WASHINGTON. (Reuter). – A Soviet grain-buying spree in the U.S. has puzzled government and private analysts and spurred theories the Soviet crop may be falling below U.S. government forecasts.

In the past month the Soviet Union has bought nearly 2.3 million tons of U.S. wheat and nearly 4.5m. tons of corn.

One government analyst said it was unusually early for the Soviet Union to buy so much U.S. corn, as it normally waits until it has a good idea of the size of its own crop and the U.S. crop.

Some analysts say the early buying confirms their belief that the 1984 Soviet grain crop is below the 190m. tons currently forecast by the U.S. Agricultural Department.

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* NETANYA: Beit Wizo, Thurs. August 9, at 8.30
* RAMAT GAN: Beit Hahistadrut, Sat. August 11 at 8 p.m.
* ACRE Mofet, Thurs. August 14, at 5.30 o.m.
* BAT YAM: Ramat Yosef Cinema, Sat. August 18, at 3 p.m.

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Complaint about import policy

TEL AVIV. – Kibbutz Beit Oren complained yesterday that the Defence Ministry has been importing welding machines although locally produced equipment is just as good – and cheaper.

In a press release the kibbutz said its plant – Supersold – is the biggest welding machine producer in Israel and enjoys a good reputation. But the Defence establishment buys large quantities of welding equipment abroad, unnecessarily spending foreign currency.

The Defence Ministry spokesman said he was looking into the complaint, but by last night he was still unable to comment.

OIL IS IT. – Japan will rely on oil for a majority of its energy needs through the year 2000, according to an industry association prediction. The country imports 99.7 per cent of the oil it consumes.

WHAT'S ON

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Jerusalem

Israel Museum Opening Exhibitions: Moshe Mulley, Environmental Sculpture. **Continuing Exhibitions:** Miniature Eighteenth century French, English and American rooms, Anselm Kiefer, new German paintings; Art of the Mosaic; Plasticine, children's works and activity corner; Egypt, the Other Side of the River; *Window to Islam; Joan Miro, sculptures* (until 31.8); Eighty years of Sculpture in Israel; 12 Pages from Cairo Genizа: Well Built Elephant, popular American architecture; How to Wrap Five Eggs, Japanese wrapping; Scraps; Happy Accidents, Marcel Duchamp and Man Ray, ready mades and photographs; News in Antiquities; How to Study the Past (for children, Paley Centre, closed Saturdays); Permanent Collection of Judaica, Art and Archaeology. Ticho House, works by Anna Ticho, Hanukka lamps, library and garden cafe.
Visiting Hours: Main Museum 10-10. From 10-4, on the hour every hour, magic workshops for children. 11: Children's film, "Popeye", 3: Special guided tour of Shrine of the Book. 4: Children's show, Silent Stories by Pablo Ariel (5-9 yr. olds.). 4.30: Guided tour in English. 7.30: Magic workshops for adults. "Cards." 8.30 only: Film, "Sophie's Choice."

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HADASSAH – Guided tour of all installations ★ Hourly tours at Kiryat Hadassah and Hadassah Mt. Scopus. ★ Information, reservations, 02-416333, 02-446271. No tours today, Tisha Be'av.
Hebrew University: No tours today, Tisha Be'av.
1. Tours in English at 9 and 11 a.m. from Administration Building, Givat Ram Campus. Buses 9 and 28.
2. Mount Scopus tours 11 a.m. from the Bronfman Reception Centre, Sherman Building. Buses 9 and 28 to last stop. Further details: Tel. 02-882819.
Amit Women (formerly American Mizrachi Women). Free Morning Tours – 8 Alkalai Street, Jerusalem. Tel. 02-699222.

Tel Aviv

Tel Aviv Museum. Exhibitions: Nahum Gutman, paintings and illustrations; White City, international style architecture in Israel. Collections – Classical 17th and 18th century *painting; Impressionism and Post-*Impressionism; 20th Century Art; Selection of Israeli Art; Twenties and Thirties in Israeli Art. **Special Exhibits:** Prints from Jerusalem Print Workshop. Special loans, including paintings by Monet, Morisot, Pissaro, Bonnard, Matisse, Rothko, Gottlieb and others. **Visiting Hours:** Sun.-Thur. 10-10. Fri. closed Sat. 10-2; 7-10. Helena Rubinstein Pavilion: **New Exhibition:** *A Pear and an Apple – Exhibition on Still-Life.* Pavilion closed in preparation for new exhibition.
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Miscellaneous

Hadassah Visitors Dept. Please call 03-491489.

Haifa

What's On in Haifa, dial 04-640840.

ENTERTAINMENT

TELEVISION

EDUCATIONAL:
15.00 The Harvest Remainder – French film about a lost girl 16.25 Pretty Butterfly 17.00 A New Evening – live magazine
CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES:
17.30 Stones with a Human Heart (repeat) 18.15 Masada – reconstruction of old Masada, Herod's palace and the Roman fortress
ARABIC LANGUAGE programmes:
18.30 News roundup 18.32 Olympics roundup 18.45 Cartoons 19.00 Documentary 19.30 News
HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume at 20.00 with a news roundup 20.02 Olympics roundup 21.00 Mabat Newsreel 21.30 The Colonel comes to Japan – documentary about the success of Kentucky Fried Chicken in Japan 22.00 Chessgame – 6-part British espionage series starring Terence Stamp. Part 4: The Alamut Ambush 22.50 News 23.05-2.00 The Los Angeles Olympics
JORDAN TV (unofficial):
18.30 Cartoons 19.00 French Hour 19.30 (JTV 3) Science Film 20.00 News in French 20.30 News in Hebrew 20.45 Magazine Zero One 21.00 News in Arabic 21.30 Take a Letter Mr. Jones 22.10 Diana 23.00 News in English 23.15 Wagner
MIDDLE EAST TV (from T.A. north):
13.00 Westbrook Hospital 13.30 Another *Life 14.00 700 Club 14.30 Shape-up 15.00* Afternoon Movie 16.30 Spiderman 17.00 Popeye 17.30 Flying House 18.00 Laramie 19.00 Bonanza 20.00 Another Life 20.30 World News Tonight 21.00 Entertainment Special WKRP Cincinnati 21.30 White Shadow 22.30 I Spy 23.20 700 Club 23.50 News Update

ON THE AIR

Voice of Music

6.02 Musical Clock 7.07 Vaughan-Williams: Tallis Fantasy 7.30 Messiaen: Le Quatuor pour le fin du temps 9.30 *Ligeti: Lontano; Music for Eicha;* Sergiu Natra: Tongues of Fire, ballet music; Ives: The Unanswerable Question 12.00 Bach: Cello Suite No.3 (Uzi Wiesel); Chausson: Concerto for Piano, Violin and String Quartet (Duo Weiss, JSO, De Carvalho) 13.05 Bersanti: 2 Psalms; Di Lasso: Job's Lament; Stravinsky: Psalms Symphony *15.00 Bach:* Preludes and Fugues from the Well-tempered Clavier (Glen Gould); Mozart: Fantasies in D and C (Walter Klein); Beethoven: Sonata No.32 in C minor (Clara Haskill); Copland: Sonata for Piano 16.30 Monteverdi Choir, Hamburg, Juergen Juergens conducting – works by Mendelssohn, Scarlatti, Hauptmann, Victoria, Brahms, Gesualdo and Monteverdi 19.05 Tchaikovsky: Andante Cantabile (Amadeus); Tartini-Kreisler: Devil's Trill Sonata (Perlman); Donizetti: 2 Chorus from Don Pasquale and Linda da Chamonix; Mendelssohn: Lieder Ohne Worte (Horowitz); Albeniz: Evocation from Iberia 20.30 The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, Raphael Fruehbeck de Burgos conducting, with Salvatore Accardo, violin – Bizet: Carmen, suite; Lalo: Symphonie Espagnole; De Falla: El amor brujo, ballet 23.00 Schumann: from Piano Quintet (Beaux Arts); Handel: Largo from Xerxes (Placido Domingo); Debussy: Trio; Grieg: 3 Songs; Britten: from String Quartet No.1; Mozart: Ave Verum (Wiener Saengerknaben); Janacek: In the Street (Firkusny); Bach: from Cantata No.170, songs by Tuzia Atar and David Rokeah

First Programme

6.03 Programmes for Olim 7.30 Readings from the Book of Lamentations 8.30 Musical works by Dan Aharonovich, Yehoyachim Struchevsky and Mordechai Seter 9.30 Encounter – live family magazine 10.30 Programme *for* Easy Hebrew 11.05 Musical works by Yosef Tal, Ben-Zion Orgad and Abel Ehrlich 12.05 The Destruction of Jerusalem 13.00 News in English 13.30 News in French 14.05 Children's programmes 15.05 Solemn Music 17.10 Readings about the Destruction of Jerusalem 18.06 Comfort 18.47 Bible Reading 19.05 Talmud Lesson 19.30 Programmes for Olim 22.05 Two by Two

Second Programme

6.12 Solemn Music 7.00 This Morning – news magazine 8.05 Excerpts from Jerusalem Day programme 10.10 All Shades of the Network 12.10 Open Line – news and music 13.00 Midday – news commentary, music 14.06 Pages in the Diary of Jerusalem 16.10 Jerusalem Anthology 17.10 Economics Magazine 17.30 Of Men and Figures 18.06 Health and Medicine Magazine 18.45 Today in Sport 19.05 Today – radio newsreel 19.30 New World – environment magazine 20.05 Cantorial Requests 22.05 Jazz Corner 23.05 Station

Army

6.06 Morning Sounds 6.10 Los Angeles '84 6.30 University on the Air 7.07 "707" – with Alex Anski *8.05 Morning Newsreel* 9.05 Right Now – with Rafi Reshef 11.05 Israeli songs 13.05 Two Hours 15.05 Poems by the late Mordechai Zeira 16.05 Four in the Afternoon 17.05 Evening Newsreel 18.05 The Spanish Inquisition and the Marranos – Yigal Lossin interviews Prof. Haim Beinart 19.05 Israeli songs 21.00 Mabat – TV Newsreel 21.30 University on the Air (repeat) 22.05 Popular songs 23.05 Classical Night Birds – with Ram Evron 00.05 Night Birds – songs, chat

CINEMAS

JERUSALEM 4, 7, 9
Eden: Supergirl; **Edison:** Beat Street; **Habirah:** My Tutor 7, 9; BMX Bandits 10.30, 4; **Kfar:** Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom 4, 6.45, 9; Savage Islands 10.30 a.m.; **Mitchell:** The Dresser 6.45, 9; **Orgil:** Muppets Take Manhattan 10.30, 4, 6, 8; **Orion:** Zigzag Story 7, 9; Maya the Bee 10.30 a.m., 4; **Ornа:** Police Academy; **Ron:** Betrayal; **Semadar:** Terms of Endearment 7, 9.15; **Binyenei Ha'uma:** We of the Never Never 7, 9; **Cinema One:** Michael Jackson the Wiz 3.30; Never Cry Wolf 5.45; Casablanca 7.30; Manhattan 9.15; **Israel Museum:** Popeye 11; Sophie's Choice 8.30; **Cinematheque:** Marathon Man 8; Mutiny on the Bounty 8.30 (small hall)

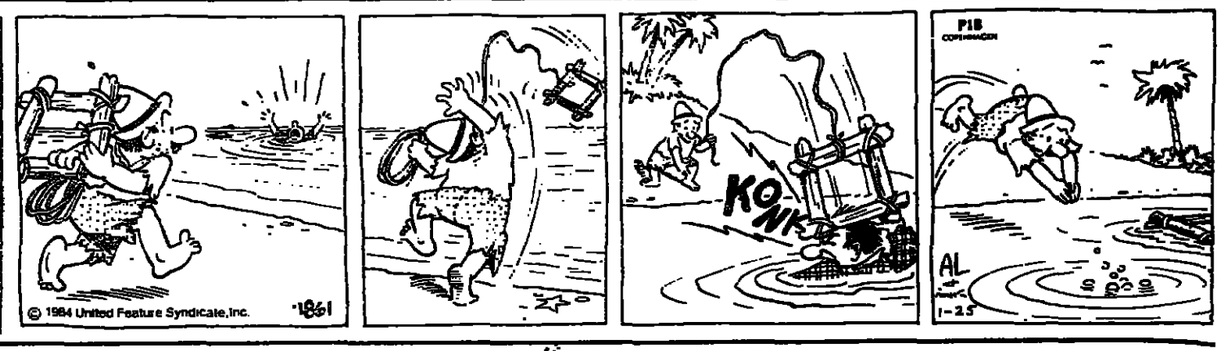
TEL AVIV 5, 7.30, 9.40
Allenby: Gone With the Wind 4, 8; **Ben-Yehuda:** Footloose; **Chen 1:** Police Academy 5.45, 7.30, 9.40; Mary Poppins 11, 1.45; Aristocats 3.55; **Chen 2:** Return of Martin Guerre 9.45; Aristocats 11, 1.45, 5.30, 7.40; **Chen 3:** Terms of Endearment 7.15, 9.45; **Cinderella** 11, 1.45, 3.45, 5.40; **Chen 4:** The Big Chill 11, 1.45, 3.45, 5.40; Robinson Crusoe 11, 1.45, 3.45, 5.40; **Chen 5:** Cross Creek 7.30, 9.45; Bilby 11, 1.45, 5.30; **Class:** Mad Mission 5, 7.40, 9.40; **Dekel:** History of the World 9.40; Mary Poppins 4.45, 7.30; **Drive-In:** Swan Lake 8.15; **Esther:** Supergirl 7.30, 9.40; Emmanuelle 11, 5; **Fresich Institute:** Burning Land (Terre Brulante) 5, 7.15, 9.30; **Gat:** Romancing the Stone 5, 7.40, 9.40; **Gordon:** Runners 6, 7.50, 9.50; Once Upon a Time in the West 3.45; **Hod:** Beat Street; **Lev I:** La Traviata 2, 5, 7.30, 9.40; **Lev II:** Soldier of the Night 2, 5, 7, 9.30; **Lisor:** Le Battant (What a Man) 5, 7.40, 9.40; **Maxim:** Educating Rita; **Mograbi:** Against All Odds; **Orly:** Savage Islands 5, 7.30, 9.30; **Paris:** The King and Mr. Bird 10, 12, 2, 4, 6, 7.30, 9.30; **Peer:** Spring Symphony 5, 7.30, 9.30; **Shahaf:** Blame It On Rio 7.30, 9.30; **Stadia:** Muppets Take Manhattan 8; Rocky Horror Picture Show 9.45; **Tamuz:** Zigzag Story 7.15, 9.40; **Tehelet:** Blood Wedding; **Tel Aviv:** Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom 4.45, 7.15, 9.40; **Tel Aviv Museum:** Sunday in the Country 4.30, 7.15, 9.30; **Zafon:** BMX Bandits 5, 7.30; **Cinema One:** Best Little Whorehouse in Texas 5, 7.30, 9.40; **Cinema Two:** Love and Death 4.30, 7.15, 9.40

HAIFA 4.30, 7.15, 9.15
Amphitheatre: *Daring Invasion;* **Armon:** Against All Odds 7, 9.15; **Muppets Take** Manhattan 11, 4.30; **Atzmon:** Supergirl; **Chen:** Herbie Goes Bananas 4.30, 7.15; Monty Python Live at the Hollywood Bowl, 9.15; **Morish:** National Lampoon's Vacation 5; Casah 7; Yeud 9; **Orah:** Beat Street; **Orly:** Blame It On Rio 9.15; Mary Poppins 11, 4, 6.30; **Peer:** Police Academy; **Ron:** Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom 4, 6.40, 9; Maya the Bee 11 a.m.; **Shavit:** Betrayal, 7, 9

RAMAT GAN
Armon: Police Academy 7.40, 9.40; Muppets Take Manhattan 11, 5; **Lily:** Return of Martin Guerre 7.15, 9.30; **Swan Lake** 11, 5; **Oasis:** Romancing the Stone 5, 7.30, 9.30; **Orden:** Yeud 4.30, 7.30, 9.30; **Ramat Gan:** Educating Rita 7.40, 9.40

HERZLIYA
David: Honorary Consul 7.15, 9.30; **Tiferet:** Return of Martin Guerre 7.30, 9.30; Double feature/1 ticket: Operation Streimel, Super Pumaman 4:
HOLON
Migdal: Police Academy 7.30, 9.30; Mary Poppins 4.30; **Savoy:** Footloose 5, 7.30, 9.30; Swan Lake 5

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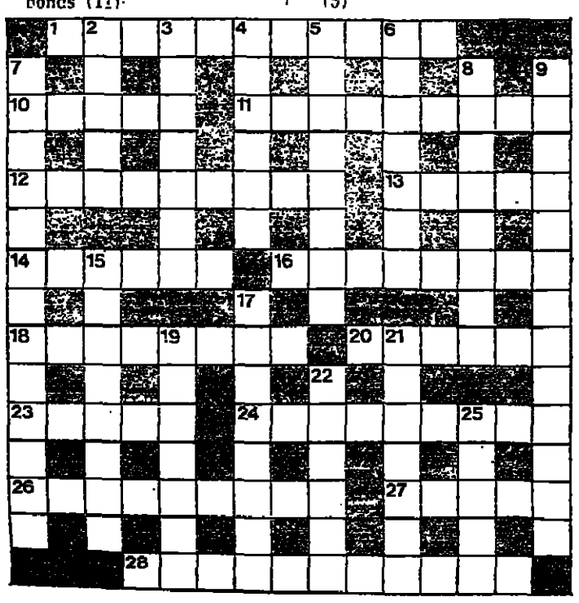
ONE-AND-ONE CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Old tribunal showing formality at traffic-light (4, 7)
10 Love getting on to green in "Open" (5)
11 Nanny Ma insured (convertibly) (9)
12 Make written agreement, wearing false smile (9)
13 Accustom to 12 having no hollow inside (5)
14 One by one, they come out at Wembley (6)
16 Horseshoe allowed to be stuck on – it is in the blood (8)
18 Star of Interpol, perhaps (5-5)
20 Finn's associate in the woodyard (6)
23 Extended trips to see town on the Loire (5)
24 Presumably, the most impious unclean state (9)
26 Anthropoid ape – no guarantee, possibly, he has lost his tail (5-4)
27 Overdrawn, I make sound of hesitation. Here lies the blame (5)
28 Fastenings for fidelity – bonds (11)

DOWN

2 Harris is one in river (5)
3 They help us to look around Aintree (7)
4 Right to go first of course – being advanced in time (6)
5 Coastal tower more tall in the wars? (8)
6 e.g. Thomas Gray, English person skilled in the laws (7)
7 It can mean home i.e. a lot, to Pcs in distress (6-7)
8 Wounded serviceman is offhand, extremely touchy (8)
9 Coming to river, divers can be enterprising (15)
15 Warriage of different Poles round America . . . (8)
17 . . . blood-feud results – enough to make Evadne embrace total abstention (8)
19 Spur, we hear, the understanding (7)
21 Fatty paid out nothing to home counties (7)
22 Violent pull of architect opening church (6)
25 Live to see great hit – in first half of Test – put up (5)



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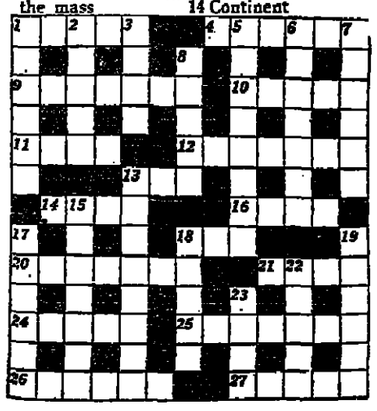
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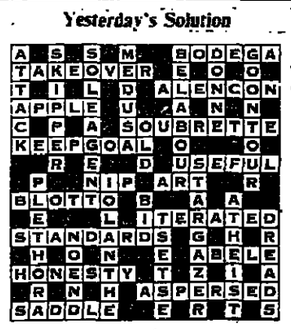
1 Caper
4 Served at table
9 Gold and silver in the mass
10 Musical instrument
11 Propitiatory, gifts
12 Thrust forward importunately
13 For what reason?
14 Continent
16 Uncovered
18 Writing implement
20 Boat race-meeting
21 Waggish
24 Principal
25 Fishing vessel
26 Criticise in petty way
27 Clemency

DOWN

1 Waylay
2 Flower
3 Manger
5 Object of aspiration
6 Shaven part of head
7 Cattle-driver
8 Delight in
13 Prodigal
15 Writing autograph
17 Town in S E Wales
18 Flour and water dough
19 Fortified wine
22 Straight-edge
23 Tranquil



Yesterday's Solution



Quick Solution

ACROSS: 1 Blunder, 5 Buses, 8 Amend, 9 Bravura, 10 Torment, 11 Knave, 12 Scheme, 14 Injury, 17 Epsom, 19 Outrage, 22 Ingenue, 23 Inset, 24 Lotto, 25 Taffeta. DOWN: 1 Boast, 2 Unearth, 3 Dodge, 4 Rebate, 5 Blacken, 6 Sauna, 7 Cleaver, 13 Special, 15 Moments, 15 Unaware, 16 Modest, 18 Sight, 20 Twist, 21 Extra

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Money Matters

Prices in slow upward crawl

TEL AVIV. – Prices on the stock market continued to crawl – very slowly – upwards yesterday in most categories, with the greatest gains in the sub-category called "investments in industry," which rose by 6.23 per cent.

The market as a whole rose by 1.16 per cent, which seems a considerable amount, until one considers that since last Thursday, the general index rose by 1.74 per cent, but the shekel was devalued by 1.16 per cent. Thus, the real rise is less than half a per cent (for those who do their calculations in dollars).

As in previous days, turnovers in bonds greatly exceeded those in shares, with the latter continuing to be in the doldrums. Of the total turnover in shares and options, which was IS474.6 million, some IS326m. was in the "arrangement" shares, which for all practical purposes are dollar-linked bonds.

Thus, only IS148m. was in shares proper, and if this is translated into dollars, the total turnover (including options) comes down to only slightly more than half a million.

This led to some very low turnovers. For example, Zion Holdings had a turnover of IS600, which is only about $2. And there were a few more shares which also were traded in sums which would not buy a cup of coffee and good sandwich in a nice eatery.

The turnover in some subcategories, such as R&D (which is included in the main category of industrials) was only IS189,000.

The "arrangement" shares were in demand, and all of them rose, although General Bank and Leumi Capital notes fell. The largest rise was chalked up by the Finance and Trade Bank, which gained 4.2 per cent, to meet a demand of only 26,000 nominal value, with only 6,000 nominal value changing hands.

Oil shares fluctuated by up to 10 per cent, with fairly small turnovers. Strangely enough, there is some interest in these shares, although according to reports drillings this year will be reduced sharply, and thus the prospects of finding oil seem much dimmer.

Seismica IS1 gained 10.2 per cent, while Teroil lost 8.8 per cent. And the lowest turnover was in Naphta, with only 200 shares (nominal value) changing hands, although due to the high price of these shares, the money involved was IS104,000.

Due to the Tisha Be'Av day of mourning, the stock exchange will be closed today, reopening tomorrow.

Announcements:

Afik Investments will hold its ordinary annual meeting at its offices at 127 Rehov Giborei Israel, Tel Aviv, on August 23 at 11 a.m.

Solel Boneh has reduced its "work plan" for projects abroad from $470m. last year to only $400m. this year due to the financial difficulties facing countries were it is working.

Clal (Israel) will hold its general meeting, which will be devoted to increasing the company's capital, on August 26, and not on August 23, as previously announced.

Yahalom Hotels published its results for the 1983/84 year. These showed an adjusted loss of IS34.7 million, compared to a loss of IS21.5m. in the previous year.

Danot announced that **Abba Frumcenko** resigned from his position on the company's board, as of July 31.

Rogosin Enterprises announced the appointment of **Erwin S. Meltzer** as general manager of the company in place of **A. Stern**. Stern will act as a consultant to the company and will continue to serve on the company's board.

Danot announced that its general manager from this month on is Yoram Gil, who has replaced David Golan. This follows the purchase of the main block of shares in Danot by the Gil/Kimche group.

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

By MACABEE DEAN

MARKET STATISTICS

Indices

General Share Index	273.38	+1.16
Non-bank Index	201.85	+1.45
Arrangement Bank Index	323.20	+1.12
Industrials	218.54	+1.85
Bond Index	260.56	+1.95

Turnovers

Shares and options:	IS474.6m.
Bonds	IS962.1m.
Totals	IS1.436.8m.
Advances	185
Declines	161
of which 5% +	67
of which 5% –	40
"Buyers only"	5
"Sellers only"	2

Bond market trends

4% fully-linked:	Rises to 3%
3% fully-linked:	Rises 3% to 6%
80% linked:	Rises 1% to 3%
90% linked:	Rises to 6%
Double-option:	Rises 1% to 5%
Dollar-linked:	Mixed, rises to 3%

Most Active Shares

Discount	12,999	IS69.4m.	n.c.
Hapoalim	7020	IS68.1m.	+180
Leumi	4,454	IS66.1m.	+44

Sharpest Moves

Cyclone op.	90	+20	+28.6%
Kopel op.	194	+40	+26%
Yaeh op.	170	+34	+25%
Morgan	59	+9.5	+19.2%%

	Closing price	Volume IS1,000	Change	% change
Commercial Banks (not part of "arrangement")				
OHH r	2440	n.c.	–	
Maritime 0.1	1098	241	n.c.	–
Maritime 0.5	321	242	n.c.	–
N. American 1	1706	20	–9	–.5
N. American 5	1185	46	–7	–.6
N. Amer. op	2113	15	–10	–.5
Danot 1	300	52	–10	–3.2
Danot 5	76	1153	+5	+7.0
Danot sc 2	180	50	n.c.	–
First Int'l 0.5	400	2375	–10	–2.4
FIBI 0.5	331	738	+5	+1.5
Commercial Banks (part of "arrangement")				
IDB r	10200	565	n.c.	–
IDB B r	10650	3	+150	+1.4
IDB p A	66000	–	+400	+.6
Union 0.1	7680	77	+80	+1.1
Discount B r	13400	8	n.c.	–
Discount A r	12999	534	n.c.	–
Discount B cn	1555	439	–25	–1.6
Mizrahi r	4220	598	+20	+.5
Mizrahi b	4240	22	+40	+1.0
Mizrahi cn 9	2000	18	+75	+3.9
Hapoalim p	9279	–	n.c.	–
Hapoalim r	7020	970	+180	+2.6
Hapoalim b	6850	90	n.c.	–
Hapoalim cn 8	26220	7	n.c.	–
General A	18600	23	n.c.	–
General op 8	42600	–	n.c.	–
General op 9	17300	1	n.c.	–
General cn 5	14100	4	+300	+2.2
General cn	875	41	–25	–2.8
Leumi 0.1	4454	1486	+44	+1.0
Leumi cn 9	6050	40	+50	+.8
Leumi cn 11	1750	361	–20	–1.1
Finance Trade	6205	10	+100	+1.6
Finance Trade 5	3450	6	+140	+4.2
Mortgage Banks				
Adanim 0.1	1131	18	+1	+.1
Gen. Mortgage	1281	32	–1	–.1
Gen. Mortgage	1282	–	–	–
Carmel r	845	6	n.c.	–
Carmel deb	404	4	–4	–1.0
Binyan	770	36	n.c.	–
Dev. Mortgage r	360	35	n.c.	–
Dev. Mortgage b	no trading			
Mishkan r	1303	6	n.c.	–
Independence	720	20	–20	–2.7
Tefahot p r	990	0	–20	–2.0
Tefahot r	900	32	–10	–1.1
Tefahot deb. 1	962	36	–18	–1.8
Tefahot deb. 2	510	20	+10	+2.0
Jaysour 1	131	27	–4	–3.0
Jaysour 5	130	3	n.c.	–
Jaysour op	71	52	–9	–11.3
Merav r	373	218	n.c.	–
Financial Institutions				
Shilton r	70	288	–3	–4.8
Shilton op B	985	–	–	–
Agriculture A	14500	–	–	–
Agriculture C	28299	–	–	–
Leumi Ind r	1134	15	n.c.	–
Leumi Ind b	1160	–	–	–
Ind. Dev. P.	17400	–	–	–
Ind. Dev. C	63000	–	–	–
Ind. Dev. CC	396	–	n.c.	–
Ind. Dev. CC1	405	–	–	–
Ind. Dev. D	34200	–	n.c.	–
Ind. Dev. DD	12100	–	–	–
Contractors	229	421	–26	–10.2
Tourism	27500	–	–	–
Clal Lease 0.1	307	6	+28	+10.0
Clal Lease 0.5	176	1	–2	–1.1
Clal Lease deb	2059	32	+80	+4.0
Insurance				
Aryeh r	439	33	–9	–2.0
Aryeh op	301	32	–4	–1.3
Aryeh sub deb	5250	–	n.c.	–
Ararat 0.1 r	375	27	–4	–1.1
Ararat 0.5 b	145	90	–3	–2.4
Reinsur 0.1 r	682	17	+62	+10.0
Reinsur 0.5 r	160	21	–	–.3
Hadar 1	273	29	n.c.	–
Hadar 5	111	100	n.c.	–
Hassneh r	970	332	n.c.	–
Phoenix 0.1 r	1490	9	+60	+4.2
Phoenix 0.5 r	490	1	n.c.	–
Hamishmar 1	1322	–	+43	+3.4
Hamishmar 5	1050	1	+40	+4.0
Hamishmar op	1490	–	–	–
Yardenia 0.1 r	288	48	+26	+9.9
Yardenia 0.5 r	114	20	–6	–5.0
Yardenia op 2	108	26	+12	+12.4
Menorah 1	2810	1	+110	+4.1
Menorah 5	519	100	+20	+4.0
Sahar r	597	14	+11	+1.9
Securitas r	425	182	+5	+1.2
Zur r	479	2	+2	+.4
Zion Hold. 1	280	–	n.c.	–
Zion Hold. 5	140	100	–6	–4.1
Trade & Services				
Trade				
Inter-Gamma 1	320	–	+20	+6.7
Inter-Gamma 5	126	50	n.c.	–
Inter-Gam. op	49	32	–2	–4.8
Meir Ezra	593	120	–66	–10.0
Meir Ezra op	310	50	n.c.	–
Teta 1	142	60	–12	–8.1
Teta 5	124	–	–	–
Teta op	30	172	–4	–11.8
Clal Trade	285	60	+14	+5.2
Clal Trade op	no trading			
Crystal 1	221	88	+17	+8.3
Rapac 0.1	2810	1	n.c.	–
Rapac 0.5	665	210	+50	+8.1
Supersol 2	1470	45	–70	–4.6
Supersol B 10	615	173	–6	–1.0
Services				
Delek r	2180	31	+90	+4.3
Harel 1	1400	111	–10	–.7
Harel 5	900	6	n.c.	–
Lighterage 0.1	1309	67	+119	+10.0
Lighterage 0.5	680	190	+40	+6.3
Cold Store 0.1	17950	–	–	–
Cold Store 1	8638	–	+411	+5.0
Israel Elec. r	no trading			
Bond Ware 0.1	702	–	n.c.	–
Bond Ware 0.5	407	5	–20	–4.7
Bond Ware op	240	27	–41	–14.6
Consort Hold 1	325	100	n.c.	–
Consort 0.5	180	107	–10	–5.3
Consort op A	153	82	n.c.	–
Kopel 1	440	30	+40	+10.0
Kopel op	194	32	+40	+26.0
Hotels. Tourism				
Galei Zohar 1	1610	b.o.1	+77	+5.0
Galei Zohar 5	603	164	n.c.	–
Dan Hotels 1	1374	2	–1	–.1
Dan Hotels 5	922	4	–3	–.3
Coral Beach	263	20	+8	+3.1
Keter	220	10	+8	+3.8
Yarden Hotel	400	72	–45	–10.1
Yarden Hotel	164	52	–5	–3.0
Yamalom	103	92	+9	+10.1
Yamalom op	91	135	n.c.	–
Computers				
Data	274	–	+16	+6.2
Hilan 1	750	30	n.c.	–
Hilan 5	1050	–	–	–
Ya'ara	445	6	–50	–10.1
Ya'ara op	241	–	+1	+.4
Clal Comp	506	16	–35	–6.5
Clal Comp op	280	–	–2	–.7
M.L.L. 1	1000	30	–10	–1.0
M.L.L. 5	490	30	–10	–2.0
M.L.L. op	302	–	+5	+1.7
Mashov	202	120	–18	–8.2
Nikus 1	340	31	–35	–9.3
Nikus 5	218	24	+19	+9.8
Nikus op	174	5	+4	+2.4
Team 1	1160	–	+10	+.9
Team op	905	–	–	–
Real Estate. Building				
Gindi 1	582	146	n.c.	–
Gindi 5	358	126	n.c.	–
Oren	150	205	–4	–2.6
Oren 5	56	2538	–6	–9.7
Azorim Prop.	247	288	n.c.	–
Azorim op E	220	36	–5	–2.2
Eilon	52	50	+5	+10.5
Eilon op	44	45	+4	+9.9
El-Rov 1	119	54	n.c.	–
El-Rov 5	103	–	+2	+2.0
Amnonim	147	–	–	–
Amnonim op	85	40	–14	–14.5
Africa Isr 0.1	1691	–	n.c.	–
Africa Isr. 1.0	1725	–	n.c.	–
Arazim	140	–	+8	+6.1
Arazim op	99	–	–	–
Arledan 0.1	850	50	–5	–.6
Arledan 0.5	316	10	n.c.	–
Ben Yakar 1	235	45	–13	–5.2
Ben Yakar op	359	–	–	–
Baranowitz 1	160	277	+6	+4.2
Baranowitz 5	89	200	+6	+7.9
Baranowitz op	76	200	+5	+7.0
Dankner	229	139	n.c.	–
Drucker 1	290	98	–20	–6.5
Drucker 5	136	1	–14	–9.3
Drucker op	108	110	–15	–12.2
Darad 0.1	561	8	+51	+10.0
Darad 0.5	301	11	+11	+3.8
Darad op	543	–	–	–
H.L.B. 0.1	803	52	n.c.	–
H.L.B. 0.5 r	265	350	–5	–1.9
Property Bldg.	765	121	–10	–1.3
Bayside 0.1	1600	52	n.c.	–
Bayside 0.5	1220	44	n.c.	–
ILDC r	2145	160	–50	–2.3
Ispro	670	169	+19	+2.9
Isralom	385	1	n.c.	–
Isras	830	114	n.c.	–
Cohen Dev.	271	40	n.c.	–
Cohen Dev. op	112	125	–3	–2.6
Clal Real	156	825	+5	+3.3
Lumir 1	120	14	–5	–4.0
Lumir 5	57	601	–4	–6.6
Lumir op	32	207	–3	–8.6
M.T.M. 1	3999	2	+319	+8.7
Bldg. Res.	113	370	+3	+2.7
Bldg. Res. op	65	419	n.c.	–
Modul	304	60	n.c.	–
Mishnael	173	s.o.1	–9	–5.0
Menrav	68	214	+4	+6.3
Menrav op	117	12	n.c.	–
Mar-Lez	924	b.o.2	+44	+5.0
Mar-Lez op	862	15	n.c.	–
Levinstein 1	649	2	n.c.	–
Levinstein 5	110	150	–4	–3.5
Levinstein op	74	30	+1	+1.4
Lifschitz 1	260	123	–10	–3.7
Lifschitz 5	120	363	–10	–7.7
Lifschitz op	110	165	–11	–9.1
Neot Aviv	3124	–	+284	+10.0
Azorim Prop.	400	167	–40	–9.1
Sahar Hold 1	521	16	+1	+.2
Sahar Hold 5	342	6	+9	+2.7
Solel Boneh	880	50	–20	–2.2
Sahaf 1	270	10	+4	+1.5
Sahaf 5	138	–	–	–
Sahaf op	99	–	–5	–5.2
Afar Ve'Sela	1464	10	+133	+10.0
Prinz	395	412	+10	+2.6
Caesarea 0.1	135	21	–2	–1.5
Caesarea 0.5	60	116	–3	–4.8
Rubinstein 1	482	75	+44	+10.1
Rubinstein 5	230	–	–	–
Rogovin 1	343	20	–1	–.3
Rogovin 5	291	–	+6	+2.1
Rogovin op	75	–	+4	+5.6
Rassco p	640	17	n.c.	–
Rassco r	620	150	n.c.	–
Rassco op	550	15	n.c.	–
Agriculture				
Hadar 0.1	230	50	n.c.	–
Hadar 0.5	85	30	–2	–2.3
Hadar op	30	126	–5	–14.3
Mehadrin	2130	10	n.c.	–
Hadarim prop.	278	170	+25	+9.9
Pri-Or	740	27	n.c.	–
Shenhar	165	10	+4	+2.8
Industrials				
Food and Tobacco				
Atas	390	17	n.c.	–
Atas op	191	32	–9	–4.5
Atlantic	71	34	n.c.	–
Atlantic op	30	28	–1	–3.2
Gold Frost 1	174	50	+16	+10.1
Gold Frost 5	61	33	–	+.8
Gold Frost op	47	4	n.c.	–
Dubek r	1015	39	+14	+1.4
Dubek b	1014	50	+44	+4.5
Sanlakol 1	559	75	+16	+3.0
Sanlakol 5	374	53	+18	+5.1
Sanlakol op	299	–	–	–
Pri-Ze 1	823	154	n.c.	–
Pri-Ze 5	725	34	+10	+1.4
Pri-Ze op	555	25	+20	+3.7
Tempo 1	610	2	–30	–4.7
Tempo 5	358	4	–40	–10.1
Izhar 1	170	104	n.c.	–
Izhar 5	106	190	n.c.	–
Man 1	1201	–	–1	–.1
Man 5	752	–	–	–
Sunfrost	605	110	–5	–.8
Elite r	3025	2	+25	+.8
Assis	2503	11	+92	+3.8
Angel	363	18	+2	+.6
Shemen p	591	b.o.2	+28	+5.0
Textiles and Clothing				
Ofis	152	8	–	–.3
Ofis op	88	–	–	–
Baruch 1	510	10	n.c.	–
Baruch 5	270	–	–	–
Baruch op	95	30	n.c.	–
Alaska Sport 1	86	55	–3	–3.4
Alaska Sport 5	48	65	–5	–10.2
Eitan 1	81	177	–	+.6
Eitan op	58	161	n.c.	–
Argaman r	672	25	–9	–1.3
Ata B 1	56	202	–2	–4.2
Ata C 0.1	45	805	–4	–8.2
Ata op	24	2276	–1	–3.9
Delta Galil 1	400	100	n.c.	–
Delta Galil 5	330	91	+30	+10.0
United Spinner	86	100	+1	+1.8
United Spinner	48	–	–	–
Spinners op	31	137	–2	–6.1
Vitalgo 1	170	24	–	+.3
Vitalgo 5	113	100	+10	+10.2
Wardinon	180	38	n.c.	–
Wardinon op	111	–	+1	+.9
Zikit 1	137	12	n.c.	–
Zikit 5	70	21	+3	+5.3
Top Top 1	88	50	–9	–9.7
Tip Top op	35	100	–1	–2.8
Yumar 1	375	2	+25	+7.1
Yumar 5	no trading			
Lotzia 0.1	125	–	–	–
Lodzia 0.4	48	531	+3	+6.7
Ligat	84	181	+7	+9.7
Ligat op	50	–	+7	+17.7
MIF Glico	268	–	+3	+1.1
MIF Glico op	124	–	–1	–.8
Maquette 1	1018	b.o.1	+48	+5.0
Maquette 5	305	58	+20	+7.0
Eagle 1	1530	11	+10	+.7
Eagle 5	1235	3	–50	–3.9
Eagle op	1850	1	–150	–7.5
Emek	450	140	+15	+3.5
Polgat 0.1	2070	6	n.c.	–
Polgat 0.4	1111	44	+11	+1.0
Polygon r	269	50	–18	–6.3
Pargod	171	85	+11	+6.9
Pargod op	81	s.o.1	–8	–9.0
Schoellerina	535	24	n.c.	–
Rogosin	145	121	–5	–3.3
Metals and Metal Products				
Octagon	228	–	–	–
Octagon op	215	–	–	–
Urdan 0.1 r	3150	8	n.c.	–
Urdan 0.5 r	1700	12	n.c.	–
Urdan op	1116	44	+65	+6.2
Cables r	920	2	n.c.	–
Hatchef 1	400	–	+36	+9.9
Hatchef 5	185	25	+17	+10.1
Is.Can Corp 1	285	192	+7	+2.5
Is.Can Corp 5	260	47	+18	+7.4
Morgan	90	132	–5	–5.8
Morgan op	59	500	+9	+19.2
Sdom Metals 1	178	–	–	–
Sdom Metals op	70	–	–	–
Zion Cables 1	513	66	–57	–10.0
Zion Cables 5	214	114	n.c.	–
Kadmani 1	145	160	n.c.	–
Kadmani 5	70	430	n.c.	–
Kadmani op	161	10	+9	+5.9
Nechushtan 0.1	320	142	+10	+3.2
Nechushtan 0.5	152	75	+11	+7.8
Arad	232	24	n.c.	–
Arad op	147	–	+1	+1.0
Pecker Steel	319	–	–	–
King 1	588	20	–2	–.3
King 5	300	50	n.c.	–
Klil 1	620	–	+8	+1.3
Klil 5	388	6	+1	+.3
Sheladot	465	–	–10	–2.1
Sheladot op	400	–	–	–
Lachish 1	145	378	n.c.	–
Lachish 5	106	200	–5	–4.5
Electrical Machinery Electronics, Optics				
Elbit 3 r	94000	7	+3350	+3.7
Elbit op	131400	–	n.c.	–
Elco 0.1	280	49	+15	+5.7
Elco 0.25 r	139	92	+1	+.7
Elco 0.25 b	159	30	–28	–14.9
Electra 0.1 r	1901	–	–27	–1.4
Electra 0.5 r	803	90	–10	–1.2
Electra op 4	558	8	–7	–1.2
Elron	90900	5	–1000	–1.1
Arit	2615	41	n.c.	–
Arit op	2350	39	+65	+3.0
Clal Electronic	2200	45	n.c.	–
Spectronix 1	1235	20	n.c.	–
Spectronix 5	790	30	n.c.	–
Spectronix op	2700	16	n.c.	–
Feuchtwanger	347	20	+7	+2.1
Feuchtwanger	205	100	–5	–2.4
Feucht. op	120	94	–10	–7.7
Cyclone 1	365	48	–36	–9.0
Cyclone 5	150	20	–14	–8.8
Cyclone op	90	139	+20	+28.6
Katz Adler 1	266	30	n.c.	–
Katz Adler 5	101	–	–6	–5.6
T.A.T. 1	860	2	n.c.	–
T.A.T. 5	500	112	+5	+1.0
T.A.T. op	770	10	n.c.	–
Tedea	416	119	–1	–.2
Tedea op	320	60	+20	+6.7
Building Materials				
I.P.Industries	182	107	n.c.	–
Alkol	270	69	–14	–4.9
Alkol op	90	–	–1	–1.6
Ackerstein 1	305	20	–6	–1.9
Ackerstein 5	205	35	–5	–2.4
Tadir 1	920	–	–	–
Tadir 5	340	–	–	–
Barton 1	193	25	–1	–.5
Barton 5	90	92	n.c.	–
Barton op	77	98	–4	–4.9
Hamashul 1	166	17	n.c.	–
Hamashul 5	112	33	–3	–2.6
Hamashul op	160	–	–	+.3
Tromasbest 1	665	30	–15	–2.2
Tromasbest 5	255	20	n.c.	–1
M.L.T. 1	206	83	n.c.	–7
M.L.T. 5	135	6	–1	–1.1
Modul Ind.	143	100	+10	+7.5
Wolfman 1	1850	6	–20	–1.1
Wolfman 5	900	–	+1	+.1
Chemicals. Rubber, Plastics				
Agan Chem. 5	1100	48	+29	+2.7
Agan op	901	17	n.c.	–
Alliance Tire	171	115	–3	–1.7
Gal Indus. 1	1110	5	+50	+4.7
Gal Indus. 5	285	110	+9	+3.3
Gal Indus. op	no trading			
Dexter Chem.	183	26	+15	+8.9
Fertilizer 0.1	2650	4	+150	+6
Fertilizer 0.5	959	50	+50	+5.5
Fertilizer op	660	33	+30	+4.8
Haifa Chemica	968	149	+88	+10
Texar	3288	18	–17	–.5
Texa b	no trading			
Texa op 4	2680	3	n.c.	–
Lipski	340	–	–	–
Lipski op	265	15	–5	–1.9
Dead Sea r	2520	73	+60	+2.7
Petrochemicals	166	421	–1	–.6
Maxima 1	241	53	+1	+.4
Maxima 5	171	19	+2	+1.2
Maxima op	104	40	+8	+7.1
Neta Chem.	440	10	+20	+4.8
Sano 1	550	21	n.c.	–
Sano 5	440	–	–	–
Kedem Chem	341	37	+31	+10
Kedem Chem	189	28	–6	–3.1
T.G.L. 1	225	5	n.c.	–
T.G.L. 5	124	–	–	–
T.G.L. op	38	61	–3	–8.4
Tava	731	49	–28	–3.5
Tava op b	350	–	–15	–4.1
Frutarom	1900	7	–55	–2.8
Taro Pharm	300	41	–5	–1.7
Wood. Paper. Printing				
Datron 1	275	113	–5	–1.8
Datron 5	185	310	–2	–1.1
Datron op	95	101	+3	+3.3
Haman 1	330	46	n.c.	–
Haman op	270	20	+5	+1.9
Yaeh 1	265	30	–1	–.4
Yaeh 5	170	20	+34	+25
Ashkelon	90	44	n.c.	–
Ashkelon op	46	4	n.c.	–
Molett	1191	–	–62	–5.1
Paper Mills	14889	b.o.2	+769	+5.1
Scandia 1	287	116	+26	+10
Scandia op	205	7	+44	+27.5
Rim 0.1 r	970	3	–20	–2.2
Rim 0.4 r	600	16	–10	–1.6
Tamal B r	1060	15	n.c.	–
Miscellaneous Industries				
Alumit 1	825	2	n.c.	–
Alumit 5	385	–	–	–
Alumit op	415	5	+40	+10.7
Andin 1	1975	92	+10	+.5
Andin 5	1434	70	–10	–.7
Andin op	660	113	+35	+5.6
Five J	362	70	–8	–2.2
Five J op	227	33	n.c.	–
Zika 1	1066	–	–	–
Zika 5	825	–	–	–
Pollak 1	825	–	–	–
Pollak 5	333	38	n.c.	–
Pollak op 1	85	111	n.c.	–
Industrial Investment				
Central Trade	1595	72	+145	+10
Koor p	no trading			
Clal Industry	442	332	+22	+5.2
Clal Ind op C	1540	8	+65	+4.4
Tech Res.	49	244	–1	–2
Tech Res. op	31	342	–2	–7.5
Investment Companies				
Unico r	250	268	+23	+10.1
IDB Dev. r	1000	234	n.c.	–
Inconba 0.1	190	234	+17	+9.8
Inconba 0.5	77	147	+7	+10
Elgar r	395	14	–44	–10
Elgar b	488	–	–32	–6.2
Ellern	644	170	n.c.	–
Ellern b	666	20	n.c.	–
Amissar	3800	7	n.c.	–
Afik 1	8600	1	–150	–1.8
Afik 5	5300	4	+100	+1.9
Gahelet	455	–	+1	+.2
Israel Corp. 1	675	48	n.c.	–
Israel Corp. 5	310	16	–5	–1.6
Wolfson 0.1	3100	2	–200	–6.1
Wolfson 1 r	1550	25	+65	+4.4
Ampa r	1349	67	–17	–1.2
Ampa op 1	1800	21	–45	–2.4
Hapoel. Inv. r	1045	–	–	–
Leumi Inv.	897	48	–5	–.6
Disc. Invest r	2010	178	n.c.	–
Disc. Invest b	no trading			
Mizrahi Inv.	980	10	+30	+3.2
Mizrahi 122	204	–	–	–.8
Mizrahi 124	1360	–	+30	+2.3
Hiron 1	400	135	n.c.	–
Hiron 5	75	340	+4	+5.6
Hiron op	38	40	n.c.	–
Export r	640	58	+15	–2.4
Export op	504	–	–	–
Jordan Expl.	238	160	–1	–.4
Jorden E. op	220001	–	–	–
Clal 10	732	267	+67	+10.1
Clal 50	414	45	n.c.	–
Landeco 0.1	568	1	+10	+1.8
Landeco 0.5	335	10	+13	+4.0
Landeco op	87	25	+1	+1.2
Magor 0.1	353	217	+3	+.9
Magor 0.5	136	123	–10	–6.9
Oz Inv. 0.1	201	16	–9	–4.3
Oz Iv. 0.5	90	20	n.c.	–
Paz Invest.	4350	41	+50	+1.2
Pama 0.1	525	14	+15	+2.9
Pama 0.5	190	142	n.c.	–
Piryon	189	463	–4	–2.1
Research & Development				
Clever Devices	166	–	+1	+.6
Clever Dev. op	92	100	–2	–2.1
Galil Tech. 1	168	112	n.c.	–
Galil Tech. op	76	199	+1	+1.3
Oil Exploration				
Delek Explo. 1	810	107	n.c.	–
Delek Explo. 5	400	111	+22	+5.8
Oil Expl. Paz	1500	39	n.c.	–
Teroil 1	250	56	–24

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Hunt for scapegoats

WHY is the Attorney General (or is it the Ministry of Trade?) intent on putting the heads of the four biggest banks on trial?

Why are the Governor of the Bank of Israel and the Finance Minister, and their aides, trading accusations as to who did or did not sound the alarm on the sharp fall in the foreign currency reserves, and who took the initiative in imposing the latest restrictions on currency outflows?

Why is the government intent on making the Histadrut the scapegoat for its own economic failures and the Histadrut adamant in its negative attitude towards cooperation with the existing government, so long as there is no replacement?

There are two answers to these questions, that need to be asked, in view of the spreading paralysis in our political, commercial and administrative systems.

One of the spin-offs of the steady, and no loner gradual, decline in socio-economic standards throughout Israeli society, is the growing inability of different groups to cooperate, or even speak to each other. This has been often remarked upon in terms of religious, cultural, ethnic and political differences. It is equally true in the economic sphere, where the ability to sit down and discuss matters of common concern is rapidly disappearing.

As in other areas, the breakdown began at the top, and trickled down. Today, we are at a stage where the main commercial organisations, including manufacturers, retailers, banks, insurance and, indeed, almost every other representative group in the economy, are convinced that "there is no one to talk to," in the government, both at the senior official and the ministerial level.

The feeling of paranoia, that "they're out to get us" in some way, whatever "they" do, is the natural outgrowth of contradictory and muddled policies, rank cronyism, and increasingly, the lack of any coherent thinking at all, such as might be graced with the title of "government policy." The list of areas affected by this blight is growing ever-longer. Internal tourism, charter flights, export subsidies, rental housing... these are just a few topics that drift in and out of periodic crises and public notice.

Given this background, the tendency to cast aspersion, make accusations – basically, to sling mud – becomes more and more the norm, as reasoned discussion falls victim to the descent into impotent frustration. Entrepreneurs of every stripe are primarily men of action. They want to get things done. When they come up against an unthinking and immovable bureaucracy, headed by ministers of outstanding mediocrity, they are reduced to tearing their hair out and lashing out wildly.

The assailed officialdom reacts in its characteristic manner, ponderously shifting issues to higher authorities, where they gather dust or, if a source of unpleasantness or unpopularity, are discreetly shelved.

However, beyond this trend, which is regrettably well-established in the national public-life, there is a new and more ominous development. This has become more apparent in the last few weeks, and especially since it became clear that the elections, far from producing a solution to the burning economic problems, only succeeded in making things far worse.

There is now a growing fear, at the uppermost levels of government and business, that the economy, as we know it, is lost and that what remains is for each person and each group to find an alibi for itself, to prove that he or they did what they could to prevent the coming catastrophe. By extension, of course, it is necessary to try to prove that another person or other persons were guilty of hastening the end, or at least, not doing enough to delay it.

If this feeling catches on in wider circles, as it must sooner or later, unless it is reversed, there will be a genuine panic and collapse. It is doubtful if anyone will then be interested in excuses or alibis, however convincing they may be.

Purification rites

IF Meir Kahane is the tip of a threat then important parts of the body of that threat came into view in Hebron on Sunday.

There, the entire, respected, leadership of the Greater Land of Israel Movement – which is considered part of the legitimate mainstream of Israeli politics – turned out in demonstrative support of Menachem Livni. For those who may have forgotten, Livni has been in detention for the past four months on suspicion of being the central figure in the Jewish terrorist gang rounded up after years of surveillance by the General Security Services.

As the rule of law has it, Menachem Livni is innocent until adjudged guilty of the crimes of murder and of seditious terrorism with which he and his fellows are being charged.

In reality, however, whereas he has not been found guilty, neither is he totally innocent: he is suspected of committing some of the most heinous crimes any Israeli has been charged with.

The suspicions against him, like some of his fellows, are so intense as to require, under Israel law, that he be held in detention until his trial.

It is debatable, given the extreme nature of the charges against Livni, whether he should have been released for the day to attend the circumcision ceremony of his new-born son in the Cave of the Mahpelah.

What is beyond debate is that public figures, beginning with cabinet minister Yuval Ne'eman and the entire leadership of the Land of Israel Movement – Tehiya, Gush Emunim, Morasha and all – had no business turning a private religious ceremony into a political demonstration of widespread support for a "hero" who is being charged with murder.

Sunday's performance by these public figures would seem to be a dangerous indication that this camp is no more than an establishment branch of an anti-democratic trunk whose vulgar branch is Kahane.

Aridor (continued)

By STEVEN E. PLAUT

RECENTLY we were told that Israel's official foreign exchange reserves had plunged to dangerous levels. In the month of the elections, Israel lost more than $350 million in reserves, something that did not occur even in the most dismal days of the "correct economics" of Aridor.

It seems that the finance minister and the heads of the Bank of Israel are having difficulties grasping exactly why the reserves are plummeting, and much of the public and media debate over the fall has been missing the point.

In all the discussions, people have been forgetting that Israel's reserves cannot run away on their own. They remain untouched in the bank accounts abroad where the government holds its reserves until the government itself decides to withdraw them and spend them.

We have been hearing a lot of talk from the Finance Ministry and the Bank of Israel about "peak demand" for dollars by Israelis going abroad, about the refusal of the Histadrut to sign a "social contract agreement," about the political uncertainty due to the elections.

But even if many Israelis want to go abroad, the government's dollars will not be diminished. "Peak demand" may be able to cause dollars to go up in price (that is, it may cause a more rapid shekel devaluation), but it cannot force official reserves to fall. They fall when the government spends them – and only then.

THEREFORE, the government's hunt for culprits who are responsible for the fall in reserves is absurd. Why exactly has the government been spending its own reserves as if they were going out of style? The answer is simple.

When informed of a newspaper that had printed his obituary, Mark Twain responded that news of his demise was somewhat premature. Last October, Aridor was kicked out and replaced by a new finance minister who had previously been a fierce critic of Aridor's strategy for fighting inflation through printing money, and fighting balance-of-payments problems by undervaluing dollars.

Well, news of the demise of Aridorian economics was somewhat premature.

Yigal Cohen-Orgad has been running an economic policy that is not all that different from Aridor's. Like his predecessor, Cohen-Orgad has been withdrawing the state's precious dollars and dumping them on the market in order to make dollars cheaper and shekels temporarily worth more than their market value.

There is nothing mysterious about the disappearing reserves. The government is preventing a depreciation of the shekel that is inevitable.

Dumping dollars on the market in order to "calm" it is a little like trying to extinguish a campfire with gasoline. Everyone knows that when the government is dumping hundreds of millions of dollars on the market, the current price of dollars is artificially low, and that it is bound to rise.

One need not be an Einstein to know that hoarding dollars is a sure way to make some easy money, when the shekel's value adjusts once the government stops its little game. Actually all these Aridor-style games simply increase the demand for foreign exchange.

THE GOVERNMENT'S response to the sharp increase in demand for foreign exchange was a whole set of new bureaucratic impediments and a 15 per cent tax on the purchase of dollars for Israelis going abroad.

The new restrictions are just the last stage in the total Mapai-nization of the Likud's economic policy. There is little difference between Cohen-Orgad's new policy and the very worst of the bureaucratic dinosaurs that allocated foreign exchange before 1977.

As for the 15 per cent dollar tax, it is a poor solution to a problem that the government itself artificially created. I am referring to the policy of maintaining a wide gap between the nominal exchange rate (the one listed in the newspaper) and the true or effective value of dollars, which is considerably higher.

This policy creates lots of damage. Among other things, it turns out that the policy discriminates against new immigrants, subsidizes *yerida*, punishes tourists abroad who come to visit, and subsidizes Israelis who travel abroad.

The 15 per cent dollar tax eliminates part of the last subsidy, although Israeli tourists will still get a fat subsidy every time they buy an airplane ticket and pay only the nominal rate for dollars, rather than the true value of the dollar – the effective rate.

BUT THERE IS someone out there who does care and is striving for the country's economic interests. I am referring to the discussions currently under way about creating a free-trade zone with the United States.

At these talks, there are people who are advancing Israel's interests. Unfortunately, they are not the Israeli representatives, but the Americans, who are twisting the Israeli government's arm to stop subsidizing exports.

If we did, we would have to unify the nominal and effective exchange rates – which, of course, is exactly what should be done.

Obviously, if the U.S. removes tariffs from Israeli goods, Israel benefits. So does America, or so it turns out. Tariff removal is in the interests of both countries. Similarly, if Israel were to remove tariffs and import quotas and solve its trade problems through adjusting the exchange rate, both the U.S. and Israel would benefit.

When the Israeli government subsidizes exports, we in effect give away free some of our resources, and foreign consumers gain a generous windfall at the expense of the Israeli taxpayer.

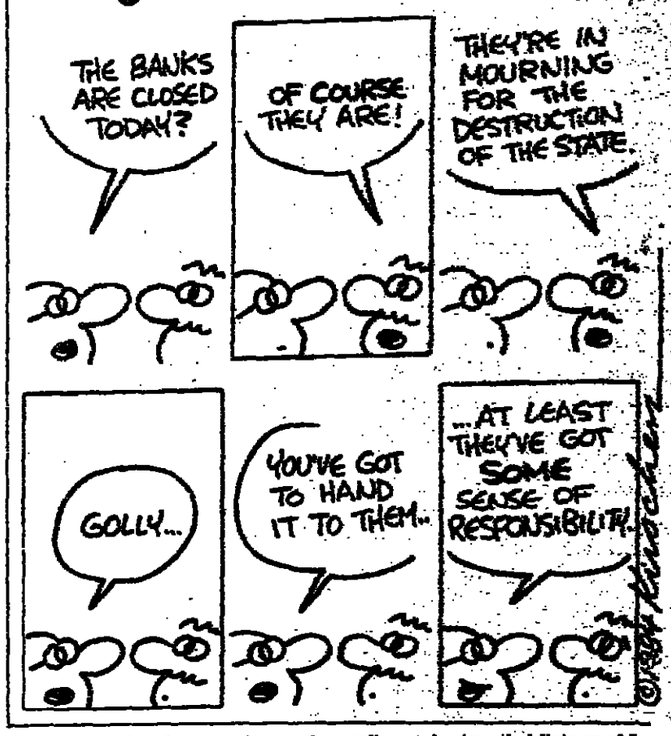
The Israeli representatives at the talks, and primarily Minister of Industry and Trade Gideon Patt, have been struggling to persuade the Americans to allow the Israeli government to continue harming the Israeli economy with these subsidies.

The International Monetary Fund (of the UN) has also been extremely critical recently of Israel's policy of multiple exchange rates. Apparently, the IMF also cares more about the Israeli economy than does the Israeli government.

How ironic that other nations have to act as a Light unto the Jews in economic matters.

The writer teaches economics at the Technion.

Dry Bones



Minimal principles

By SUSAN HATTIS ROLEF

REFORM RABBI Alexander Schindler's warning about what could happen in world Jewry and its support for Israel if the new Israeli government gives in to the religious parties and passes the controversial "Who is a Jew" law raises many possibilities.

The first is that if 500,000 adult liberal, progressive Reform Jews were to make aliya before the next elections, they could gain 20 seats in that Knesset (insofar as an addition of half a million Israelis would "inflate" the "price" of an MK to 25,000 votes) and more than tip the political scales in Israel towards moderation.

The 29th Zionist Congress in 1978 had adopted, with the support of the World Labour Zionist movement, resolution 61, which stated, "The congress confirms that all departments, authorities and programmes of the WZO in Israel will be managed in accordance with the principle of equal status and identical treatment of every religious movement which is affiliated with the WZO, and of every Jew, regardless of his origin or his religious or ideological identification. . ."

It also called on the State of Israel "as the homeland of the Jewish people, to put into practice the principle of assuring full rights, including equal recognition, for all rabbis, and equal assistance to all the trends in Judaism."

In the same way, a large Reform community in Israel could also ensure that the Knesset would do the same, and once and for all break the monopoly of Orthodox Judaism in Israel, which according to Rabbi Schindler, represents only 15 per cent of world Jewry today.

LIKE MANY other secular Jews in Israel who are constantly struggling with the question of what being a secular Jew means, my feelings about Reform Judaism are mixed.

Orthodox secular Jews who have grown up in Israel to view Judaism as Orthodox Judaism and are secular in relation to that form of Judaism – have difficulty relating to the religious content of the Reform movement.

My knowledge about the obstructive role played for years by the Reform movement in relation to Zionism was, in the past, another cause for my ambivalence. This has changed since the movement officially joined the Zionist organization and began to play a positive role in matters relating to Israel.

Today I can sympathize with what Yigal Allon said in one of his last speeches, nine days before his untimely death, in 1980, to an audience of American Reform leaders: "If the Jewish people is to remain a united people, it has no alternative but to accept willingly the idea that we have always been, and must remain, a pluralistic people; that Judaism will continue to embrace within its fold many different streams of thought and we must base our relationship upon mutual respect.

"In the United States and other Western countries, it is very easy to practise these principles. Unfortunately this is not quite the case in this country, and I deeply regret it because it indicates that our society has not reached the standards to be expected of a fully matured democracy, such as that which I would like to see develop in my country."

However, co-existence, cooperation and mutual respect among Jews cannot prevail unless we know who these Jews are, and here I feel that the Reform movement must make a concession – it must accept the minimal Halacha principles about conversion – that is circumcision and a basic knowledge of and respect for Jewish laws.

AT THE SAME time, I am in favour of civil marriages, and am not averse to Reform rabbis marrying mixed couples, as long as the rest of us are not forced to accept these as Jewish marriages, or the offsprings of mixed couples as Jews where the wife is not Jewish.

Any Jew or Jewess with a non-Jewish spouse is welcome to settle in Israel. If this spouse wishes to be considered a Jew, let him or her accept the minimal requirements which the majority of Jews in Israel accept – a minimum which the Reform movement must accept as well.

As to Rabbi Schindler's warning – perhaps he should rather warn his flock of believers in the United States that if more of them do not come to settle in Israel, to play a direct and constructive role in determining the state's course and fate, they are liable to lose whatever influence they have today on its policies – policies which, whether they like it or not, reflect not only on the Jews of Israel but on the Jews of the Diaspora, too.

No matter what their personal feelings are on the "Who is a Jew" issue, unless a national unity government is established (in which case the issue will temporarily be pushed to the sidelines) neither Peres nor Shamir will have the power to resist the demands of Jewish Orthodoxy.

The writer is a freelance contributor, researcher and lecturer.

READERS' LETTERS

EZER FOR PRIME MINISTER

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As neither the Alignment, nor the Likud are able to form a broad and workable government, a national unity government from wall to wall (without the six members on the extreme left and Kahane on the right) is the only recourse to overcome the present deadlock. However, as each side is only ready to form such a government under its own leadership, the head of a small party should be appointed prime minister, as was successfully done in Italy.

I therefore propose Ezer Weizman for this job. He is acceptable to both sides, a moderate and reasonable man with firm convictions, but flexible enough to make compromises; and above all he has the necessary charisma to convince the man in the street to accept hard and unpopular measures.

This government should be set up for a limited period and concentrate on the most urgent matters: fight inflation, encourage productivity, correct the gap in the trade balance, find a tolerable way to withdraw from Lebanon.

E. GRUENBAUM
Kiryat Tivon.

TORA TODAY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – Congratulations to Rabbi Pinchas Peli, whose column, "Tora today," has become a regular feature at our Sabbath eve meals.

His thought-provoking, up-to-date commentaries on the week's Bible Portion and the family discussions they generate enliven and enrich our Sabbath Eves.

ROSALIE MORIAH
Jerusalem.

NEVER AGAIN!

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – The greatest, most terrifying danger of all is that Meir Kahane's hate-filled ideology will find fertile soil in which to take root in the minds of young, impressionable people. The fact that he has been elected should serve as a warning. If not stopped, he will succeed in stirring up the latent hatred that lies buried in so many hearts, while playing on our deepest fears and appealing to our darkest instincts.

Lest we feel complacent or apathetic about threats to the Arab citizens of Israel, let us recognize the clear danger to Jews as well. Rabbi Kahane has pointedly used the term "good Jews," which implies that there are also "bad Jews." Obviously, whoever differs from him will be deemed a "bad" Jew and he will "take care" of him too.

We must neither dismiss Kahane as a madman, nor feel complacent that he represents a mere lunatic fringe. He must not be allowed to continue with impunity to threaten Arabs and to implant the seeds of hatred and violence in the hearts of Jews and Arabs alike. It is not enough to look on in disapproving silence. Silence becomes complicity.

We, the Jewish people, have paid a terrible price for the silence of the "civilized" world in the face of Hitler's unspeakable atrocities against us. We, of all people, must never be silent. We have cried: "Never again!" to our persecutors. We must now say "Never again!" to Meir Kahane. Never again will we allow fascism and racism to rise, not against us and never amongst us.

MARCIA GAMLIEL
Haifa.

DISGRACEFUL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – If Ya'acov Tsur's letter captioned "Appeal to the media" (July 31) were complied with, every person who is disliked, especially like Meir Kahane, would stand little or no chance of being listened to, and freedom of speech which democratic governments like Israel boast of, would be throttled. No Mr. Tzur, a million times no. It's precisely those guts we hate who should be listened to, for they may have something sensible to say.

It just happens to be that Meir Kahane is a political polemicist and has made a mark on his contemporaries which is not indecent, though some may think otherwise.

JACK GREENFEST
Jerusalem.

RAOUL WALLENBERG

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – I support Gisela Nadler's comments of July on the article, "The Hungarian factor" (July 10), which conspicuously omitted all reference to Raoul Wallenberg.

However, I should like to point out that Raoul Wallenberg was not forgotten at the First World Congress of Hungarian Jews which took place at Yad Vashem on July 10. Mr. Gideon Hausner stressed the heroic work of the Swedish diplomat in saving thousands of Hungarian Jews from the Nazis. He urged the government to bestow honorary citizenship on Raoul Wallenberg.

The exhibition, "A tribute to Raoul Wallenberg," prepared by the Raoul Wallenberg Association, Beersheba, is on view at Yad Vashem.

We are compiling a documented list of people saved by Raoul Wallenberg in order to record his work. Readers who were saved or assisted by him are requested to write to The Raoul Wallenberg Association, Beersheba, P.O.B. 4258 Beersheba 84140.

JEAN KLOOS-FISHMAN
Beersheba.

GOLD MEDAL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – Congratulations to The Post and to Mr. Kirschen for his brilliant "Dry Bones" of July 31, depicting Peres and Shamir at the weight-lifting contest. It beats all records and deserves a gold medal of its own.

WALTER BELLAK
Tel Aviv.

POSTSCRIPTS

P.S. THE LIBRARY of Congress, which holds one of the world's largest collections of books, has developed a new technique to protect its volumes from the threat of decay.

The library, with more than 25 million volumes, has patented the method, a gas-permeation process to protect books. Congress is considering a proposal to build an $11.5 million plant for the new process, which the library suggests could be used to save other collections as well.

"One of the most pressing problems facing libraries is the rapid deterioration of their collections due to the unstable quality of paper produced since around 1850," said Daniel Boorstin, the Librarian of Congress.

The plant, to be located 80 kilometres from Washington at Fort Detrick, Maryland, would neutralize the acid in book paper and extend the life of books up to 500 years, its planners say.

The Senate has already authorized the building of the plant, and supporters hope the House of Representatives will follow suit.

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